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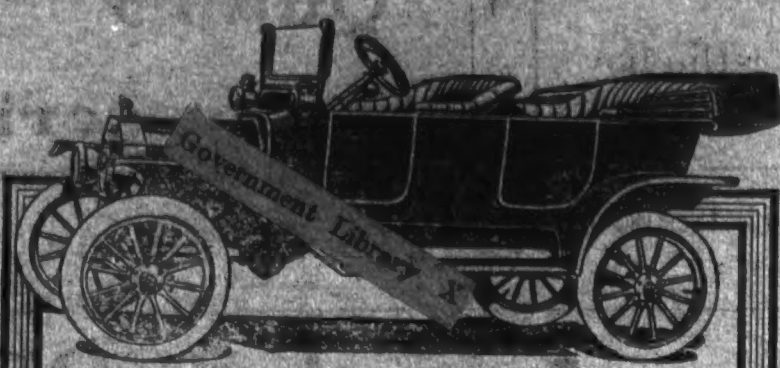
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**ALLIES MAKE PROGRESS
DURING THE PAST WEEK**

Last week we referred to the serious condition of affairs prevailing in the eastern theatre of war, and pointed out that probably Great Britain and France would find it necessary to bring immediate pressure to bear upon the German armies facing them, for the purpose of relieving the enormous pressure on the Russian lines. Scarcely had these remarks appeared in print before the official press bureau announced that the British and the French were co-operating in an effort to relieve the pressure in the eastern field.

These tactics have apparently been successful, as we are now informed that the German offensive on the East Prussian frontier has ceased, and that the Russians are speedily recovering from the consequences of the defeat that they suffered in the East Prussian campaign.

This defeat, by the way, it is now learned, was much more serious than earlier announcements might have led one to believe. The Russians themselves admit the loss of an entire army corps, while the Germans claim that the Russian losses were two and a half times greater. The lying powers of the Germans are so astonishing that it would be safe to assume that the Russians did not lose more than about sixty thousand men in their several battles and during the retreat, but even this loss in a hostile area that is not regarded as of first-class importance is almost appalling. It is natural for us to attempt to make light of disasters that may overtake any of the allies, but we cannot see that any good purpose is served by adopting such methods. In fact, it would appear to be of the greatest importance fully to recognize the magnitude of every reverse for only by so recognizing it can we be stimulated up to the point necessary to enable us to put such forces in the field as will finally make such reverses impossible.

To be sure, it should not be thought that the Russian defeat in East Prussia cannot be retrieved. In fact, it was retrieved to some extent almost as soon as it happened. Not only was the retreat successfully conducted and a strong front of resistance organized to meet the enemy at the Russian border—a front that has so far held against all assaults—but the Russians were also able to record splendid victories over the Austrians in the Carpathians. Here at the very time the defeat was being suffered in East Prussia the Russian army operating against Austria managed to win such victories as enabled it to capture nearly fifty thousand men and enormous stores of materials of war. Russia, therefore, in spite of her colossal losses, probably stands in a position of relative strength greater than she occupied during the earlier months of the war. A loss of a hundred thousand men by Russia is not nearly so serious a matter in the long run as the loss of even a smaller number by the Austrians and Germans. Russia can replace her men. The enemy can not.

In France and Belgium conditions similar to those that have prevailed for months past still continue. Here and there, however, it is gradually becoming clear that the allies are establishing an ascendancy over the enemy. German attacks are less frequent, and when they are made they lack the violent dash that formerly characterized them. Military experts are agreed that this not only shows the rapidly

developing strength of the allied armies, but also shows rapid deterioration in the quality of the German troops. Their best troops have either been wiped out entirely or have been moved against the Russians in a necessary effort to stop the Russian advance. In any case, a noticeable weakness is now observed in the enemy—and this weakness fortunately appears just at the time when the first half million of Kitchener's army has reached that condition of perfection that enables it to take the field. Thus Germany starts going downhill just at the time when England is ready to make her real power as a military force felt. Another month, therefore, should show developments of the most dramatic interest and of the highest importance from a military point of view—developments that will indicate the end of the long and trying period of waiting which has been made necessary entirely because of Britain's well-intended but ill-advised unpreparedness for military effort.

Since Germany undertook her dastardly attempt to "blockade" Great Britain and Ireland by attacking and sinking unarmed merchant vessels, she has succeeded in torpedoing or mining

nine ships, all of them small. Three of these ships were neutral vessels. Thus in a little more than a week private owners of merchant ships sailing under the British flag have been attacked. And this is what Germany calls warfare! This is the desperate undertaking that Germany launched with the threat that it would starve Great Britain out. Such an undertaking has about the same relation to warfare that the smashing of a gentleman's umbrella as it stands in a hall rack has to prize fighting. It is merely a contemptible and dastardly piece of spite indulged in at the expense of non-combatants in order that Germany may relieve its feelings at a time when it is powerless to conduct a successful war.

At last the London papers have become aroused over the annoyance caused by submarine attacks on shipping, and are now demanding that the government treat these pirates as pirates, and hang the crews of all submarines captured. This is commendable so far as it goes—but it does not go nearly far enough. Every member of the German navy now acting under orders to sink merchant ships with their crews and passengers—and the order of the German government applies to every member of the German navy—should be treated as a pirate, and as such should be executed wherever caught. No discrimination should be made. The crews of submarine boats are no better and no worse than the crews of the German battleships.

They all have the same orders. The only reason why German cruisers are not attempting to sink merchant ships and non-combatants is because the German cruisers do not dare to come out in the open sea where they are likely to meet such ships.

Had they the necessary courage to come out and the good fortune to encounter a merchantman, they would act just as the submarines act. Therefore they deserve no credit for their ineffectiveness. Should they escape by their hiding, they would merely be rewarded for their display of cowardice. England should notify the world that so long as the official German order to the German navy to sink non-combatants stands, every member of the German navy, be he of high rank or low, will be treated as a pirate, whenever he may fall into the hands of the British navy. This is the only effective method of dealing with this national piracy. So long as Germany is permitted to feel that she can break every law of God and man, and yet enjoy the protection of the international laws that she herself defines, she will continue to be a pirate among the nations. Once, however, that she is made to realize that she will be held directly responsible for her own lawlessness, it will not be long before she will realize that it does not pay to be a scoundrel. It is useless to attempt to appeal to the moral sense of a nation that boasts of being a moral idiot. Even a moral idiot, however, is quickly responsive to the lash

that really cuts, and that it is forced to realize will inevitably be applied in certain circumstances.

GERMAN BLOCKADE REACHES CLIMAX

London, Feb. 26.—The British press today expresses the greatest satisfaction with the admiralty figures which show that the Germans succeeded in sinking only eight British ships, among 1,381 arriving or sailing since the blockade began. These figures, however, only include known losses; further casualties yet undiscovered may transpire.

The Daily News describes it as the "pirates' failure." The Daily Mail, in a moderate review of the situation, believes the German blockade has reached its climax, despite the probability that German submarines will be steadily augmented in future. It declares the scattering of contact floating mines on the high seas a diabolical crime against humanity, is certain sooner or later to embroil the German admiralty with neutral governments.

The best evidence that the British admiralty believe they have now mastered the submarine attack is the intimation that channel steamers after temporary suspension, will now resume the daytime service.

ALLIES ARE IN FULL ACCORD ON REPRISALS

London, Feb. 26.—France, Rus-

sia, England, Serbia and Belgium are said by English officers to be in complete accord with reprisals to be made on Germany, Austria and Turkey in retaliation for the German submarine campaign. England was in conference with her allies concerning reprisals, before the receipt of the last American note, making informal representations looking to a continuance of submarine activity and the admission of food to Germany for her civil population.

While it can be authoritatively stated that the nature of the reprisals has not been agreed upon absolutely as yet, England and her allies have decided upon the main points which probably will be announced on Monday by Premier Asquith, in a statement for the press, simultaneously with the submission of the position of all the opponents of Germany to neutral countries whose trade is so vitally affected by the present naval methods.

Walter Hines Page, ambassador from the United States to Great Britain, and the British foreign office, have refrained from discussing the terms of the American note, but the foreign office has intimated that the probable statement of Premier Asquith on Monday will not be a direct answer to the American note, but a long promised elucidation of the intimation made by Sir Edward Grey, secretary of state for foreign affairs, and other cabinet members that reprisals against Germany would doubtless be necessary.

There is every reason to believe that England fully intends to make all foodstuffs for Germany absolute contraband, thus cutting off the movement of ships to German ports and making export trade by sea impossible. Great interest is being shown by the British press and the public in the probable treatment of reprisals. The belief seems to be general that cotton and food will become absolute contraband.

British officials are now persuaded, they state, that several ships which at first were reported as having been destroyed by mines, were the victims of submarines.

LID OFF IN SASKATOON.

Saskatoon, Feb. 26.—At the police investigation today, Sergeant Stuart, of the R.N.W.M.P., testified that Saskatoon is known in the police world as a harbor for criminals for the whole of Saskatchewan. He also gave evidence which showed that Mary Grippie, the witness whom the crown attorney has been trying without success to locate, was in the city as recently as February 10, though she has not been seen publicly since the end of January. Several residents of the west side testified that numerous houses of ill-fame are operated in that part of the city and are still doing business.

L. Steers can deliver Soft Water and Wood to any place in town on the shortest notice. (T-H)

AUCTIONEER DAMRON GETS RESULTS--See Him About Your Sale

**Frank Fisher's
Public Sale**

Five miles North and one mile West of Bentley; one mile North of the Outlet school house, on the old Von Volkenberg place

Tuesday, March 9th

I will sell without reserve the following described Live Stock and Farm Implements:

12 HEAD OF GOOD YOUNG HORSES

One team of Sorrel Mares, 6 years old, weight 2,200 lbs., in foal; one team of Black Mares, 4 years old, weight 2,500 lbs., in foal; one team of Brown Geldings, 4 years old, weight 2,400 lbs.; one Roan Mare, 4 years old, weight 1,050 lbs., in foal; one Mare, 10 years old, weight 900 lbs.; one Bay Gelding, 5 years old, weight 1,200 lbs.; one Black Gelding, 4 years old, weight 1,200 lbs.; one Bay Gelding, 3 years old, weight 1,100 lbs.; one Colt.

CATTLE

7 head of choice Milch Cows, part of which will be fresh by the date of sale, balance to calve early; 1 Heifer Calf.

GRAIN, STRAW, POTATOES AND CHICKENS

400 bushels of good Oats; 200 bushels of good Barley; 10 bushels of Potatoes; one stack of Straw; some Chickens.

IMPLEMENTS

One 16-inch Cockshutt Sulky Plow with new breaker bottom; 16-inch Stubble Plow; 2 Frost & Wood Discs; set Harrows; Bobsled; Farm Wagon; Democrits; set Work Harness; Hayrack; Grindstone; Tools; Forks; Shovels; Chains, etc.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

Cook Stove; new Heater and Pipe; Extension Table; new White Sewing Machine; Centre Table; Iron Bedstead, complete; Dresser; 3 Rocking Chairs; Cot and Mattress; Shotgun; Rifle; Books; Clocks; Dishes; Cooking Utensils and other articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS—All sums up to \$20, cash; over that amount a credit of 10 months will be given on approved joint bankable note bearing 8 per cent. interest; 5 per cent. discount for cash on sums over \$20.

LUNCH AT NOON

C. F. DAMRON, Auctioneer

FRANK FISHER, Owner.

J. P. McPHERSON, Clerk.

NOTE—This list comprises some very choice young Mares and Geldings, all of which are broke to work, and every Mare in the sale is in foal to Mr. Smith Read's Registered Suffolk Punch Stallion, and will interest anyone wanting to buy a pair of choice young mares of this kind. The Cows listed are all good milkers and are due to freshen early. All of the Grain will make good Seed. Read the list over carefully and arrange to attend this sale. As Mr. Fisher has sold his farm and is leaving the country, everything offered will be sold without reserve.

Public Sale

One and one-half miles due East of Lacombe (at edge of spruce) on S.E. 28-40-20 W4

Friday, March 5th, 1915

commencing at 10.38 a.m. Lunch at noon.

6 HEAD HORSES

1 Grey Horse, aged 9 years, weight 1,450 lbs.; 1 Dark Grey Horse, aged 6 years, weight 1,200 lbs.; 1 Iron Grey Mare, aged 8 years, weight 1,400 lbs.; 1 Dark Iron Grey Horse, aged 6 years, weight 1,200 lbs.; 1 two-year-old Colt; 1 seven-months-old Colt.

21 HEAD HOGS

18 Shoats; 2 Brood Sows, one to farrow last of April, the other to farrow middle of May; 1 Duroc Boar.

IMPLEMENTS

1 Deering Binder, 8-foot cut, good as new; 1 Deering Hayrake; 2 Massey-Harris Mowers; 1 A-ax Harrow, 18 ft., good as new; 1 one-horse Cultivator; 1 Walking Plow; 1 Gang Plow; 1 Hayrack; 1 pair of Sleighs; 2 Wagons; Platform Scales (capacity 600 lbs.); 2 sets of Heavy Work Harness, good as new; 1 Bunk Car; 2 sets of Heavy Double-Trees; 1 Heavy Four-Horse Ewener; 1 A-ax; 1 20 ft. Log Chain; 1 Buzz Saw on a wagon, complete and ready for work; Forks; Shovels; Tools and Work Bench; Some Wild Hay and some Timothy.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

1 Solid Oak Folding Bed, Spring and Mattress complete; 2 Iron Beds, Spring and Mattress complete; 2 Dressers; 1 Book Case and Writing Desk combined; 1 Couch; 4 Oak Chairs and 2 Rockers with Plush seats; 1 Organ (six octaves); 1 Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machine, good as new; 2 Heating Stoves; 1 Kitchen Cabinet; 4 Floor Rugs, each 9x12; 1 Extension Table, 10 ft.; 1 Churn; 1 Washing Machine and Wringer; 1 Ladies' Side Saddle; 1 Single Barrel Shotgun, 12 gauge; 1 22 Winchester Rifle; some Potatoes; Kitchen Utensils and a lot of other things too numerous to mention.

TERMS—All sums up to \$20, cash; over that amount a credit of 8 months will be given on approved joint bankable note bearing 8 per cent. interest; 5 per cent. discount for cash on sums over \$20.

C. F. DAMRON, Auctioneer

S. E. KUNKLE, Owner.

JESSE FRASER, Clerk.

NOTE—Owing to Mr. Kunkle getting his right arm crushed in a hay baler, it is absolutely necessary for him to give up farming for at least a couple of years, he is obliged to call this sale, and therefore everything as above listed will be sold absolutely without reserve. Mr. Kunkle and family are moving into town, not leaving the country, and if anything is found not as represented, come and get your money back. No goods must be removed until settled for.

**E. J. Allison's
Public Sale**

One-half mile East and 3/4 miles South of Clive, on S.W. 1-8-40-24

Thursday, March 11th

At 10 o'clock sharp, the following:

9 HEAD HORSES

1 team Bay Geldings, 8 years old, weight 2,600 lbs.; 1 team Black Geldings, 9 years old, weight 2,600 lbs.; 1 Black Gelding, weight 1,300 lbs.; 1 Bay Mare, 10 years old, weight 1,200 lbs.; 1 Grey Gelding, aged, weight 1,500 lbs.; 1 Black Gelding, 7 years old, weight 1,150, a good single driver, kind and gentle; 1 one-half-year-old Roan Filly.

CATTLE

2 Milch Cows (first class), both fresh soon; 2 Yearling Steers.

IMPLEMENTS

1 John Deere Binder, 8-ft. cut, good as new; 1 John Deere Plow, 14-inch, new; 1 John Deere Disc, with trucks, good; 1 Emerson Sulky Plow, 16-inch; 1 John Deere Brush Breaker, 16-inch, with trucks; 1 Disc Harrow in fair condition; 1 McCormick Hayrake, 10-ft., good; 1 McCormick Single Disc Drill, 20 holes; 1 three-section Lever Drag, good as new; 1 Land Packer; 1 good Wagon; 3 1/2, with good grain box; 1 Farm Wagon; 1 pair Bobsleighs, good; 1 Cutter; 2 Hayracks; 1 Grindstone.

CHICKENS, ETC.

A bunch of Buff Orpington Chickens; some Potatoes and a few other Vegetables.

HARNESS

3 Sets Work Harness; 1 Set Single Harness; 1 Set Driving Harness; 1 Saddle; Horse Blankets, etc.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE

1 Doberty Organ; 1 six-hole Imperial Oxford Range, good for coal or wood; 1 Souvenir Oak Heater (coal); 1 Iron Bedstead, Spring and Mattress, complete; 1 Dining Table, 8 ft., good; 6 Dining Chairs; 1 Leather Rocker; 2 Rocking Chairs; 1 Couch; 1 Cupboard with glass doors; 1 Churn.

LUNCH AT NOON

TERMS—All sums up to \$20, cash; over that amount a credit of 9 months will be given on approved joint bankable note bearing 8 per cent. interest; 5 per cent. discount for cash on sums over \$20.

C. F. DAMRON, Auctioneer

E. J. ALLISON, Owner.

GUY C. WILSON, Clerk.

NOTE—As Mr. Allison is leaving the country immediately, everything offered at this sale will be sold absolutely without reserve.

A. GILMOUR

Will pay the following prices delivered in his yards at Lacombe this week:

Choice Fat Steers, 1,200 lbs. and up.....5c. to 5 1/2c.
Choice Fat Steers, 1,000 lbs. and up.....5c. to 5 1/2c.
Extra Choice Fat Heifers.....4 1/2c. to 5c.
Choice Fat Cows.....4c. to 4 1/2c.
Medium to good Fat Cows and Heifers.....3c. to 4c.
Fat Bulls.....2 1/2c. to 4c.
Beef Hides.....8c.

HOGS—Hog prices are so uncertain that we cannot quote a steady price. Those wishing to sell, phone us for prices.

Further information regarding prices can be had by phoning 20 from 7.30 a.m. till 6 p.m.
Night Phone 40.

HOCKEY

On Friday evening last, Lacombe met the Edmonton Hustlers in the first of the home and home games for the Intermediate championship of Alberta. The rink was crowded, about eight hundred hockey fans from town and country being in attendance. At the time the score stood three all.

The game was a very spectacular one, and never before this winter had our team such a hard proposition on their hands. The Hustlers were real hustlers, and the way they checked our forwards' rushes was not slow. Garland and Fleming, two of our fastest players, were unable to do effective work, so closely were they checked, and during the whole game Lacombe failed to break up the Hustlers' defence. Every member of the Hustler team is a fast skater and a good hockey player, and should this team remain together for another year or two it will be a very strong aggregation. At the cut-out one or two of the Hustlers evinced a disposition to rough things, but after two or three penalties had been handed out, they got down to real hockey.

Lacombe put up a hard game, and fought for a victory right to the last. Jack Hall and Munn being the particular stars of the evening. Hall is one of our safest players, while Munn's equal as goal tender is not to be found in Alberta. Garland and Fleming, two of our men whom a great deal of reliance is always placed, did not show up to advantage in this game, but this fact is probably accounted for by the Hustlers' close checking. Individual rushes were no good, and our men did not get a chance to get in much combination work.

It was a good exhibition of hockey, however, and it is greatly to the credit of our team that they held the visitors even.

Edmonton, March 2.—The third of the three available Alberta hockey championships was won by Edmonton last night when the Hustlers defeated the Lacombe team at Diamond Park rink by a score was a tie—3-3—so Hustlers ate final. The teams met previously at Lacombe, where the score was a tie—3-3—so Hustlers win the round and the championship by 6 goals to 4. This contest was as hard fought as any staged in Edmonton this winter, and it would be hard to find two more evenly-matched teams. They battled for 18 minutes before a goal was scored, and this fell to the visitors, who led at half time by 1 to 0. Hustlers scored the tying goal when the second half had been in progress for six minutes, and five minutes later Grant made things safe by netting a counter and putting his team ahead. Nineteen minutes more of play, and Dussault scored the Hustlers' third goal, and put the result out of doubt.

In the dying moments of the game the play livened up considerably, and with a championship within hailing distance both teams started to mix things up a little. Judge of Play Allan was kept busy chasing the offenders to the fence, and with 25 seconds more to play a Lacombe man was ordered to the penalty box, but refused to go. The penalty timer insinuated himself into the fracas by jumping on the ice, and Referee Burley, thinking time was up, rang his bell. He was soon enlightened as to the reason for the stop, and ordered the teams to continue; the ice, which was crowded in a minute by enthusiastic Hustler rooters, being immediately cleared. However, the Lacombe players sought their dressing room and informed the referee that they would not continue, probably thinking it hopeless to score two goals in the short time remaining to play. Referee Burley had no other course open but to declare the game over, with Hustlers as winners. The visitors were quite bitter last night over the precipitate ending, and in their dressing room informed Conventor Chown they intended lodging a protest, though they would not say on what grounds. But when they think the matter over today, Lacombe will most likely decide to let the game go as played, for Hustlers decidedly had the better of the play in the second half, and earned all three of their goals.

The game drew an immense crowd to Diamond Park rink, the local attendance being augmented by a large delegation of Lacombe rooters. Anyone who thinks the game was a cinch is entitled to another guess. It was a contest between two splendid hockey teams, and both are a credit to the Intermediate division of the A.H.A.A. Aided by some magnificent goal-keeping on the part of Munn, Lacombe led at the half by 1 to 0, the lone counter being scored on one of the few occasions the visiting forwards got inside the Hustler defence. After battling for 28 minutes, during which Munn must have turned aside about eight well-directed shots, Garland, the visitors' speed merchant, got possession

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DISINFECTS

and started for the Hustler goal. Fleming swung in beside him, and taking a pass at just the right moment, sent in a waist-high shot that beat Talbot. This was one of the very few opportunities during the game that the Central Alberta contingent had a chance to root, and they took advantage of it.

Despite the fact that their back checking was fully up to the standard of previous games, the Hustlers seemed unable to get going in the first half. While they had the bulk of the play, their shooting was weak, the shots generally being from outside the Lacombe defence. In the second half they pulled themselves together and it only required six minutes' play before the score was tied. Stewart checked Garland and got possession of the puck, immediately streaking it for the Lacombe net. His sidekick, Bissett, joined in the effort, and it was the Hustler cover point who took the pass and beat Munn, who came out of his side nets in an endeavor to blanket the shot.

The Hustlers were all over their opponents at this stage, their "pep" leading to the supposition that somebody had been feeding them raw meat. In five minutes play Dussault shot, and Munn saved, but the visiting goaler was a trifle slow in clearing, and Grant batted in the rebound for what proved the winning goal.

To make things doubly certain, Dussault stick-handled through the Lacombe defence 17 minutes later, evading Munn, who dashed out, and depositing the puck in the empty goal for the last counter of the game. It was not until this third goal was scored that the game looked safe, for on many occasions the visitors inaugurated rushes that only good defence work saved from being converted into goals. Melvin was quite prominent in this period, as was Garland, but both were bothered by Dunlop's poke check, which broke up many a well-intended invasion.

To the writer the work of the officials appeared very satisfactory. Not a single offside during the evening escaped the eye of Pete Burley, while Billy Allan kept close track of the tripping and body-checking on the boards and checked the offenders.

As stated before, there was little to choose between the two teams, Lacombe's advantage in combination being neutralized by the Hustlers' checking. Both teams went at high speed during both halves, the second being even faster than the first. Munn, in the Lacombe nets, stood out like a star, and it was his eagle eye in the first half that allowed his team to lead at half time. Danner and Reid played a good defensive game, but neither stood out very prominently in carrying the puck into their opponents' territory. Garland, the Lacombe left winger, tied with Dunlop for speed honors, but has a bad habit of hanging back waiting for the puck to come to him; seldom mixing in the play as is required of a wing man. Fleming and Melvin worked hard in centre ice, while Hall, though not possessing the speed of Garland, was equally effective.

In spite of the closeness of the play, Talbot had little to do in goal, very few of the visitors' shots having the range. Bissett and Stewart showed up to good advantage throughout the game, both doing a lot of valuable rushing, and being among the few members of the team who show a tendency to pass the puck. Dunlop's checking, as in every previous game, was a bright feature; this youngster, with a little more coaching, being ripe for senior company. Dussault, Grant and Davidson all did their full share towards bringing the championship to Edmonton.

The line-up was the same as that in the game at Lacombe. Referee, Pete Burley; Judge of play, Allan.

Penalties—Fleming, 2 mins.; Davidson, 4 mins.; Hall, 2 mins.; Reid, 2 mins.; Garland, 3 mins.; Danner, 5 mins.; Dunlop, 2 mins.; Bissett, 2 mins.; Dussault, 2 mins.; Melvin, 2 mins.

Hockey Tonight

The Lacombe Married Men, featuring R. J. Scott and A. S. Stewart, will meet the Bentley Marriads tonight on Lacombe ice. Latest reports from Bentley are to the effect that Jack Dameron and Bert Williams trained all last night, and are now in shape to put up a hard game. This game will be a whirlwind exhibition of hockey, and everyone should see it.

Now that the hockey season is about over, it would not be amiss to start things going for a local baseball team. All we need is a good start, and the boys will do the rest.

RED CROSS NOTES.

The ladies interested in Red Cross sewing will please meet at the home of Mrs. Harry Brown on Friday afternoon, March 5th, at 2 o'clock.

The ladies interested in Red Cross knitting will please meet at the home of Mrs. Lothian, on Friday afternoon, March 5th, at 2 o'clock.

The Red Cross sale of goods which was sent off to Calgary on March 1st, included the following articles:—61 flannel shirts, 27 pairs hand-knitted socks, 1 flannel nightshirt, 2 knitted mufflers, 3 pairs wristlets.

A Canadian nursing sister, writing from a hospital at Salisbury Plain in appreciative terms of Canadian Red Cross supplies, says:

"Please tell any of the dear people who send Red Cross things that they will never know what a blessing the things they have made us are. Some of them have been issued to us, and everything is useful and just what is needed. They cannot make too many handkerchiefs, nightshirts, pyjamas, etc. We are taking great care of them; they are valuable, I can tell you."

Uses to which old linen and cotton can be put at the Red Cross depot—send only white linen and white cotton. These can be used for:

- 1—Wrapping surgical dressings.
- 2—Making slings one yard square.
- 3—Mouth wipes, cut 4 inches square.
- 4—Table linen, used for wash cloths; cut 10 inches square.

LACOMBE FARMERS' MUTUAL FIRE CO.

The directors of Lacombe Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company held their usual monthly meeting on Saturday afternoon last, and on checking over the business of the company, they find that they are now carrying considerably over a million dollars of insurance, and on reviewing the work of last year, they decided to work under the same management for the present year. The office is as heretofore, over the Union Bank, and is open every business day.

Mr. S. C. Hartley is again employed as manager and will have charge of the business as during the previous year. This company has had a big year's business and has gained the confidence of the farmers. The losses have been paid fully and promptly, and with such a record behind, a big year's business should be ahead.

The loss by fire which was closest to Lacombe was the barn of B. S. Burke, and below we print the letter which was received by the directors from this gentleman:

To the Directors of the Lacombe Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co., Lacombe, Alta.

Gentlemen: With regard to loss by fire of my barn and contents on January 16th, I hereby accept settlement of \$1,640 in full of indemnity due me.

I wish to thank you for the prompt adjustment and settlement. Yours truly,

(Sgd.) BENJ. S. BURKE.

This shows the kind of treatment the farmers may look for from their own company, and those having insurance to place this summer would be wise to place it in the farmers' company, thereby keeping all the business possible in Alberta as well as helping on the local organization.

Spruceville News

I overheard a conversation the other day, which was something like this: "Were you at the dance at the hall last Friday night? You bet; I wouldn't miss it for anything. It's the best place to go in the country. The music is always good, and the floor is the very best, and everybody has a good time. You get to dance all night, get a good warm, barn for your horses, and lots of good things to eat—all for fifty cents. Where can you go to beat it?"

Remember the regular meeting of Progressive Union No. 359, U.F.A., next Friday night, March 5th, to be held in the hall. There will also be held the annual meeting of the subscribers to the hall on the same night, for the purpose of electing trustees for the present year, and other important business connected with same. All members are requested to be present.

We are glad to hear that John Proudfoot is able to be around again after a severe attack of rheumatism, which laid him up for several days.

Remember the next dance at the hall will be held on Friday night, March 12. Everybody welcome. Ladies please remember the baskets. A good time is looked for.

There are so many card parties, dances and hockey matches on at present, that your correspondent was too sleepy to end in any items last week; but after all he is only human.

The concert at the hall in aid of the church was quite a suc-

Suppose You Do
Have Astigmatism

Don't think you cannot be cured; such things are possible. In any case, properly fitted glasses will entirely overcome the defect. This is a common defect of the eye. It is simply an uneven curvature of the anterior portion of the eyeball—and usually causes headaches and may lead to a more serious type. It is essential that you have this trouble attended to in its earliest stage. You are the one to be benefitted by my years of experience as an eye specialist.

Come in to-day

"Five Feet Past the Entrance of the Royal Bank."

PAUL HOTSON

JEWELER AND OPTICIAN ISSUER OF MARRIAGE LICENSES
Royal Bank Building, Lacombe

THE PIONEER MEAT MARKET

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We will pay the following prices, delivered at Lacombe, for the week:

Choice Export Steers, 1,400 lbs. and up.....	\$5.50 to \$6.25
Fat Steers, 1,000 lbs. and up.....	\$5.25 to \$5.50
Choice Fat Cows and Heifers, 1,000 lbs. up.....	\$4.50 to \$5.25
Good Fat Cows, 900 lbs. up.....	\$4.00 to \$4.75
Good Fat Stags.....	\$3.75 to \$4.50
Good Fat Bulls.....	\$3.50 to \$4.25
Choice Spring Calves, 200 to 300.....	\$6.00
Choice Spring Calves, 300 to 400.....	\$6.50
Choice Spring Calves, 400 to 500.....	\$6.00
Choice Killing Sheep (Wethers).....	\$6.00 to \$6.50
Choice Killing Sheep (Ewes).....	\$5.00 to \$6.00
Lambs, choice.....	\$6.25 to \$7.00

Call Phone 15 or 47 for prices on Hogs. Starting from Feb. 15 will dock on light thin pigs weighing 100 to 125 lbs., from 2c. to 2 1/2c. per lb., as this class of stuff is not wanted.

cess, considering that there were several other events taking place in the district on the same evening.

Spruceville was well represented at the hockey match last Friday night, and all report a fast game.

The Jackfish hockey club are anticipating putting on a dance at the U.F.A. hall some time in the near future, so watch for the announcement. Jackfish, you know, is one of the suburbs of Spruceville.

Rainy Creek News

Mrs. E. S. Stanley and children are this week moving to Lacombe.

Alva Burger, who has been in the States for the past few months, returned last week.

Mildred Carrist spent Sunday with home folks.

Quite a few of the young people from this vicinity attended the "hard times" social at Gull Lake school house last week, and report a pleasant evening.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Surratt and little son arrived from Waterloo, Iowa, last week. They expect to make this their home and have taken up residence on the Burger farm. Mrs. Surratt is a daughter of Mr. Burger, and is no stranger to the community. We welcome them to the neighborhood.

At the Literary held at the Carrist school house last Friday evening, a large crowd was in attendance and a good program was rendered. The debate on "Woman Suffrage" in which several of the ladies took part, was a feature. At the next meeting, March 12, the question, "Resolved, That the Present European War was Necessary for the Advancement of Christian Civilization," will be discussed.

ACADEMY NOTES

Mrs. Hagen, of North Dakota, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. K. Reising, near the Academy. Professor A. C. Harder spent last Sabbath with the church at Ledue.

Twenty-four tons of baled timothy hay were shipped to Clarendon by the Academy on Monday.

Mrs. R. P. Mooney, of Rosedale, left for Hanley, Sask., on Monday. She will visit relatives, William Graham and Mr. Christopherson, of Okla, made a pleasant call at the Academy yesterday.

The Academy has just received a large shipment of Health Foods from the Sanitarium Health Food Factory in Des Moines, Iowa.

Pastor J. L. Wilson, accompanied by Mr. Smith, of Acme, paid a visit to the Academy last week. Mr. Smith is thinking of locating here, that his children may attend the Academy.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Hubbard, H. Schlenker, Harvey Braun, Adolph Dick and Fred Sultz,

have left for home, to prepare for spring work. We hope we may see them all here when school shall open again in the fall.

The cottage meeting was held as usual at Mr. Butcher's home on Sunday evening, the subject being "The Twenty-three Hundred Days." Mr. Heaton spoke and showed very clearly from the Bible when this, the longest prophetic period mentioned in the Bible, began and when it closed and what it meant. This led up to the question of "The Sanctuary," and this will be the topic for next week.

Messrs. Mooney, Hommel and Philpott left early this week for Mountain View, California, where they will attend the Bookmen's Convention of Seventh Day Adventists. Mr. Philpott is field agent for Saskatchewan, and is the first student of the Academy to be thus honored. They will also spend some time at the Panama Exposition in San Francisco.

Miss Ida Randlett is the latest student to enroll at the Academy.

Rimby News

The entertainment given by the Rimby Greys on Friday last proved to be a grand success. The Rimby brass band and the Rimby orchestra rendered many selections, and owing to it being their first appearance in public, their music was greatly appreciated.

The dialogue given by W. Connelly, C. Connelly and C. B. Lindahl was another treat of the evening. Vocal selections were well rendered by Messrs. Cook, Cox, Miles, Saunders, Lethbridge and Beveridge, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Brooks and Mrs. Prosser. Recitations by P. Wilton and W. A. Saunders, and a reading by G. Manson, completed a well-balanced entertainment. Mr. Jos. Marshall upheld his reputation as an actor by succeeding in disposing of 67 boxes at an average of over \$2.00, the record price being paid by C. W. Jackson, the new store proprietor, who purchased the handsome crescent-shaped box brought by Miss A. Dahl, of Wittenburg, for \$25. The young people then adjourned to the Peabody Hall and spent the balance of the evening in dancing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wright, who have been staying with Mrs. S. Rimby for the winter, returned to Spokane on Thursday last. About ten loads of lumber have been brought from the mill ready for the building of the new public hall, which is to take place immediately.

Chester Rimby has purchased the Wm. Webb homestead, five miles west.

On Tuesday next a magic lantern entertainment will be given in the Methodist church. Two popular subjects, "The Man Who Spoiled the Music," and "Billy's Rose," will be produced. These subjects will be of interest to old and young alike, and it is hoped a large gathering will be present.

A \$5 Watch Free

"Clip Out This Advertisement"

For the largest and neatest collection of our "ads" neatly pasted on ordinary paper, either in sheet or book form, between now and the Lacombe Fall Fair, we will give a prize of a \$5.00 Boys' or Girl's Watch; also a second prize of a \$2.50 Watch, and a third prize of a \$1.00 Watch. Don't forget to save the "ad" every week, as this announcement may not appear again.

Neatness to be a very important point, and have them all ready to be shown and judged at the Fair.

Denike & Bulger

Jewelers
The Store of Worth and Beauty,
Issuers of Marriage Licenses

Mrs. B. S. Cameron will receive on Friday, March 5th, and not again this season.

The W. A. of St. Cyprian's church will meet at the rectory on Thursday at 3 p.m.

Mrs. Inglis and Mrs. Garland will receive on the twelfth at the home of Mrs. Inglis, and not again this season.

Mrs. J. I. Paole, of Wetaskiwin, is the guest of Mrs. Sharpe this week.

All who have not yet paid their taxes are warned that in a few days the very heavy costs are added, and an effort should be made to pay up.

Charles Morris, one of our old-time businessmen, is renewing acquaintances in town.

Soft Water and Wood delivered to any place in town. Call up 74.—L. Steers. (J-4)

F. E. McLeod, with Mrs. McLeod and children, arrived home on Saturday after an extended visit to the principal cities in the east. He reports a splendid holiday trip, although the weather at times was not of the Alberta brand. Business in the eastern part of Canada he reports much as usual.

The boxing and wrestling entertainment in the Comet on Saturday night last was fairly well attended, and several items on the program were well worth seeing. Some very clever exhibitions of boxing were given, the contestants going in for blood. Another entertainment will be given on Tuesday evening, March 9, and at the low price charged for admission—25c.—there should be a good house. The proceeds are for the purpose of equipping an athletic room in town.

Professor Gordon, of Alberta University, will give a free lecture in the Methodist church next Monday evening at 8 o'clock. Subject, "The Relation of War to Literature." This will be the last lecture for this season in connection with the University Extension Work.

BORN.

HANSEN—At Lacombe, on February 17th, to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hansen, a daughter.

LINDSKOG—At Morningside, on February 23rd, to Mr. and Mrs. Lindskog, a daughter.

McMILLAN—At Tees, on February 26th, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. McMillan, a son.

PUFFER—At Lacombe, on Tuesday, February 23, to Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Puffer, a daughter.

GRACE METHODIST CHURCH.

The special services will be continued each evening this week except Saturday, commencing at 8 o'clock. Wednesday the united prayer service will be held in this church. The address will be given by Rev. Mr. Petstone. Closing services, March 6, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Bright singing and extra musical selections at each service. These meetings are held for the deepening of the spiritual life of the church and community, and a very hearty invitation is extended to all to be present.

GILMOUR—BARR.

A pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Barr, Clayton, Ont., on Wednesday last, February 24th, when their daughter Lyllia and Dr. R. G. Gilmour, of Lacombe, were united in matrimony.

Dr. and Mrs. Gilmour arrived in Lacombe on Monday, and will reside here. The bride is well-known in Lacombe, having for some years had charge of the dressmaking department of A. M. Campbell, and has many friends here.

ST. CYPRIAN'S CHURCH.
Sunday, March 7—Holy Communion 1 a.m. and 11 a.m.; evening service 7 p.m.

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**AWFUL SCENES WHEN
BLUCHER WAS SUNK**

London, Feb. 26.—A Times correspondent who has had the opportunity of talking with many of the wounded from the German cruiser Blucher, which was sunk in the recent engagement in the North Sea, writes as follows:

"The fight began at 9 o'clock (German time). The stoker said so and he knew, because he heard the first shot as he went on duty. The British ships were away some 15 or 16 kilometres distant when they started to fire. Shots came slowly at first. They fell ahead and over, raising vast column of water. The British guns were ranging. The men on deck watched the water spouts creep nearer with a strange fascination. Soon one pitched close to the ship and a vast watery pillar, a hundred metres high one of them affirmed, fell on the deck. The range had been found.

"Now the shells came thick and fast with a horrible booming hum. The electric plant was soon destroyed, and the ship plunged in a darkness that could be felt. Down below decks there was horror and confusion, mingled with gasping shouts and moans as the shells plunged through the decks. They penetrated the decks. They bored their way even to the stokehold. The coal in the bunkers was set on fire. In the engine room a shell licked up the oil and sprayed it around in flames, scarring its victims. Men huddled together in dark comments, but the shells sought them out, and there death had a rich harvest.

"The terrific air pressure resulting from the explosion in a confined space left a deep impression on the minds of the men of the Blucher. The air, it would seem, roars through every opening and tears its way through every weak spot. All loose fittings are transformed into moving instruments of destruction. Open doors bang to and jam—closed iron doors bend outward like tin plates, and through it all the bodies of men are whirled about like dead leaves in a winter blast, to be battered to death against the iron walls. There were shuddering horrors, intensified by the darkness or semi-darkness. As one poor wretch was passing through a trap door a shell burst near him. He was exactly half way through. The trap door closed with a terrific snap.

In one of the engine rooms—it was the room where the high velocity engines for ventilation and forced draught were at work—men were picked up by that terrible suction, like the whirl-draft at a street corner, and tossed to a horrible death amidst the machinery. There were other horrors too fearful to recount. The Blucher was under the fire of so many ships. Even the little destroyers peppered at her. It was a continuous explosion, said a gunner. The ship reeled over as the broadsides struck her, then righted herself, rocking like a cradle. Gun crews were so destroyed that stokers had to be requisitioned to carry ammunition. Men lay flat for safety. The decks presented a tangled mass of scrap iron in one casemate."

**AUSTRIA CONFISCATES ALL
STOCKS, GRAIN AND
FLOUR**

London, Feb. 26.—A dispatch to Reuters' Telegram Company from Venice says:

"The Austrian government is confiscating entire stocks of grain and flour in the monarchy. After an approximate estimate is made of the available supplies, a per capita apportionment will be announced and a distribution made through the local authorities.

"Severe fines and other penalties will be inflicted on any persons for attempting to secrete supplies of grain and flour.

"The government has issued an order under which 208,000 acres of land which had been used in cultivation of sugar beet are made available for grain products. It is said that Austria will raise only maize from Hungary."

**STRONG CRITICISM
OF MILITARY BOOTS**

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—That the quality of boots supplied the Canadian expeditionary forces was about as suitable as a city man's footwear would be for a hunter, was the statement of Lieut.-Col. Hallock, ordnance officer, in evidence before the parliamentary committee of investigation.

The colonel made some other equally interesting observations. He said that there was no inspection of boots at Valcartier. They were needed so urgently that time did not permit of examination. Because of this rush he excused the failure to do any inspecting work at the mobilization camp. Considering that conditions of service were absolutely different, it would have been a proper thing, he said, to have drawn up a new specification for boots, but this was not done. The witness said it would have taken a few days.

Speaking generally he regarded the boots supplied as up to what was called for. He could give no information in respect to the claim that 65,000 pairs of boots were made without a specification of any sort.

Lieut.-Col. Hallock told the committee he had been in the department since 1908 and before that had been with the British ordnance corps since 1884. He presided over the departmental inquiry into the boots. Witnesses were not sworn.

London, Feb. 26.—The Geneva correspondent of the Express telegraphed Tuesday that travellers reaching Basle, Switzerland, report that six Americans, including two women, were insulted and maltreated by German soldiers at Strassburg because they spoke only English.

One American woman's waist was torn completely off in the crowded railway station, so travellers reported. German officers finally came to the rescue of the Americans.

The Geneva correspondent wired that many Americans are leaving Germany for Switzerland.

**RELATIONS BETWEEN JAPAN
AND CHINA MUCH IMPROVED.**

Peking, Feb. 26.—The outlook for an adjustment of the differences which have arisen between China and Japan, has improved distinctly. The conferences between representatives of the two nations, apparently are progressing toward a compromise.

The most important step yet taken in this direction was disclosed here today. The Japanese government has given indications which are regarded as definite that it will not insist for the present upon the group of general demands which it presented upon which China based her resistance to the representations from Tokyo.

SHERMAN RINK DESTROYED

Calgary, Feb. 26.—The great Sherman rink, scene of many a stirring political meeting and of many a hard-fought hockey contest, went up in flame and smoke yesterday afternoon. Originating from some at present undetermined source, destruction came swift and sure upon the huge edifice, for in less than two hours from the time when the first alarm was given, nothing but a charred woodwork, crumbling stone and twisted ironwork was left to mark its site.

MILLION PRISONERS.

Frankfurt-on-the-Main, Germany, Feb. 26.—The Frankfurter Zeitung estimates that the prisoners of war in Germany and Austria now number 1,033,000. This number, it says, is divided as follows: Russians, 692,000; French, 237,000; Serbians, 50,000; Belgians, 37,000; British, 19,000. About 75 per cent. of the total is held by Germany."

**ALL GERMAN GOODS LIABLE
TO SEIZURE.**

Paris, Feb. 26.—The reply of the allies to the German blockade will be a declaration that all German goods will be liable to seizure, no matter what the nationality of the ships on which they are found, says the Journal. The strictest investigation as to the ownership of the goods will be guaranteed, however, it says.

London, Feb. 26.—The German blockade of the British Isles has been in effect for a week with the result that so far as is known two Norwegian, one French and five British steamers have been sunk or torpedoed by submarines with the surprisingly small loss of four lives. Two of these steamers, the Belridge and the Dinorah, succeeded in reaching port.

On the other side of the account it is reported that two German submarines are missing and that a third has been hit and possibly sunk by a French destroyer.

Besides the vessels which fell victims to the submarines, two American and one Norwegian steamer have been sunk by mines in the North Sea and the Swedish steamer Specia and one or two British steamers are overdue and it is feared have been lost with their crews.

In almost every case the steamer sunk by submarines was a small and slow vessel, at least three of them being caught while at anchor or while they were barely under way. This, with the failure of a submarine to hit a fast cross channel steamer at which it fired a torpedo, apparently proves to the satisfaction of British naval writers that a vessel with moderate speed can invariably escape the craft and such vessels are continuing to cross the seas.

The blockade, however, has had the effect of increasing insurance rates, and some neutral owners are keeping their ships in neutral waters. With conditions such as these, the public both in England and neutral countries are naturally curious as to the latest proposal of the American government to Great Britain and Germany, of which little has been allowed to leak out.

In addition to the loss of the merchantmen, the British admiralty has been impelled to give up hope for the armored steamer Clan McNaughton, which has not been heard from since February 4, and which it is believed went down beside another armored merchantman, the Viknor, during the storms which prevailed early in the month. The Clan McNaughton carried a crew of 280 men, composed largely of Royal Naval reserves, 20 of whom belonged to Newfoundland.

The admiralty has also reported the loss of three airmen of the 40 who recently carried out a raid on the German positions along the Belgian coast.

GERMANY UNEASY REGARDING ITALY.

Rome, Feb. 26.—Close observers in Rome of the political situation declare that since the readiness of Italy to join in the war has become apparent, the insistence of Germany upon her continued neutrality has grown stronger. It is declared in a reliable quarter that Prince Von Buclow, the German ambassador to Italy, has summarized the Italian situation to his government substantially as follows:

"Italy has spent nearly two billions lire (\$400,000,000) in war preparations since the outbreak of hostilities, consequently action on her part is daily becoming more imperative. Furthermore for internal reasons all political parties are asking the government to obtain as a result of diplomatic negotiation or through the use of the Italian army and navy, the fulfillment of the aspirations of the nation, particularly for the return for the heavy sacrifices already made.

"Germany urged Austria-Hungary strongly to cede to Italy her Italian province of Trent and a portion of the Istria peninsula with the idea of keeping Italy neutral at the present time and enlisting her favor for the future. It has been asserted in Rome that Prince Von Buclow has said Austria must be induced to accede to his views concerning territorial concessions to Italy, else he would resign his position."

DEATH OF ROSVELL R. HORNE.

We take the following item from the El Paso, Texas, Times, of Feb. 18:

"Roswell R. Horne, aged 22, died Monday, February 15, at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Horne, 2900 San Jose street. Funeral services will be held Monday at 10.30 a.m. at the McBean, Simmons and Hartford chapel, conducted by Mr. S. H. Shirley, of the Christian Science church. Monday afternoon the body will be taken to the former home, Milwaukee, Wis., for interment, accompanied by the bereaved parents and sister, Miss Horne. Deceased had been a resident of El Paso for the past two years."

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the estate of
Jerome Thomas
 deceased, late of near the hamlet of Clive, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the estate of the late Jerome Thomas, who died on the 1st day of January, A.D. 1912, are required to send to The Trusts & Guarantee Company, Limited, on or before the 11th day of April, 1915, a full statement of their claims and of any securities held by them, duly verified, and that after that date the said Company will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been filed with the said Trusts & Guarantee Company, Limited, the executors of the said estate.

Dated at Calgary, this 22nd day of February, A.D. 1915.

THE TRUSTS & GUARANTEE CO., LTD., Calgary, Alberta.
 H. A. HOWARD, Manager.
 MACDONALD & McBRIDE,
 Solicitors for the said Company.
 Approved—J.W.A.D.L. (F24-3c)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the matter of the estate of
Frank McCharles
 late of Lacombe, in the Province of Alberta, farmer, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the estate of the late Frank McCharles, deceased, who died on or about the 16th day of March, 1911, are required to send to The Trusts & Guarantee Co., the executor of the above-named deceased, addressed to the City of Calgary, on or before the 13th day of April, 1915, a full statement of their claims and of any securities held by them, duly verified, and that after that date the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been filed with the said Trusts & Guarantee Co.

Dated at Lacombe, in the Province of Alberta, this 22nd day of February, 1915.

EDWIN H. JONES,
 Solicitor for the above-named Trusts & Guarantee Co., the Executor.
 Approved this 22nd day of February, 1915.
 J.W.A.D.L.—Judge D.C.R.D.D. (F24-3c)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the estate of
Charles Watkins
 deceased, late of Lacombe, Alberta, merchant.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having any claim against the estate of Charles Watkins, who died on the 12th November, 1914, at Lacombe aforesaid, are required to file with the undersigned solicitors for the executor of his estate, by the 13th April, 1915, a full statement duly verified of their claims and of any securities held by them, and that after that date the executor will distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed.

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THIS BARON HAD FIREARMS IN HIS HOME.

Calgary, Feb. 26.—The first sentence inflicted in Calgary under the order-in-council dealing with the status of alien enemies was inflicted by Superintendent Morrison, R.N.W.M.P., when he ordered Baron Henry Von Westers, an ex-officer of German artillery, to pay a fine of \$250 or in default to be imprisoned in Macleod jail for a period of three months (the maximum period prescribed under the order) for having firearms in his possession contrary to the terms of the order. Accused will be interned after serving his sentence or after he pays the fine.

BRITAIN'S COMPLETE REPLY TO AMERICAN NOTE MADE PUBLIC.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Great Britain's second and complete reply to the American note of protest, which on December 28 last asked for an early improvement in the treatment of American commerce by the British fleet, was made public last night by mutual agreement between the state department and the British foreign office. The note, addressed to Ambassador Page by Sir Edward Grey, under date of February 10, denies that the depression in American industries is due to the activity of the British fleet, and suggests, among other causes, the shortage of shipping facilities, the consequent diminution of the cotton trade, and the destruction by submarine mines "laid by the enemy indiscriminately" of many neutral vessels.

After giving a lengthy and detailed answer to the charge that American ships and cargoes were being unduly detained, the communication contains in its concluding paragraph the announcement that Great Britain intends to take precautionary measures against the German submarine war against enemy ships, but does not reveal their nature.

Conceding that foodstuffs intended for the civil population of a country are not contraband, the British government points out that "in any country in which there exists such tremendous organization for war as now obtains in Germany, there is no clear division between those whom the government is responsible for feeding and those whom it is not."

"It will still be our endeavor," says the final paragraph, "to avoid injury and loss to neutrals, but the announcement by the German government of their intention to sink merchant vessels and their cargoes without verification of their nationality or character, or without making any provision for the safety of non-combatant crews or giving them a chance of saving their lives, has made it necessary for His Majesty's government to consider what measures they should adopt to protect their interests. It is impossible for one belligerent to depart from rules and precedents and for the other to remain bound by them."

BRITISH AND FRENCH SHIPS ARE OPENING WAY TO CAPITAL CITY OF OTTOMAN EMPIRE.

London, Feb. 25.—All the forts at the entrance of the Dardanelles have been reduced by the allied fleets. This announcement was made officially tonight.

The announcement of the secretary of the admiralty follows: "The weather moderating, the bombardment of the outer forts of the Dardanelles was renewed at 8 o'clock this morning (February 25). After a period of long

range firing the squadron of battleships attacked at close range. All the forts at the entrance to the straits were successfully reduced and the operations are continuing.

The Dardanelles, known as the gateway to Constantinople, is a narrow, tortuous strip of water dividing European from Asiatic Turkey and leading from the Aegean Sea to the Sea of Marmora. It is about 33 miles in length, and averages about two miles in width.

In the house of Commons today Sir Edward Grey, secretary of foreign affairs, made the important announcement, which was received with cheers, that Great Britain sympathized with Russia's aspirations to gain access to the open sea through Turkey.

At the entrance to the straits are, on the European side, forts Helles Burnu and Sedd-el-Bahr, which face Fort Kumkale, on the Asiatic side. Sedd-el-Bahr is a quadrangular enclosure with solid walls and low towers at the corners. Standing on the side of the hill which slopes to Cape Greco, its lower wall reaches to the water's edge. In acreage Sedd-el-Bahr is the largest fortress in the Dardanelles. Behind the castle on the height is the Shahim Kalessi fort.

Across the strait from Sedd-el-Bahr to Kumkale is an old stone castle which, on the front of the Asiatic side, lies almost at the water line. Of late years this fortress has been permitted to go into decay, but with the outbreak of the present war it undoubtedly has been strengthened with modern guns.

The mouth of the Dardanelles is said to be heavily mined. Up the waterway toward Constantinople many small forts dot the shores at intervals and there are big fortifications at the entrance to the sea of Marmora and also about 10 miles from the entrance of the strait, at the beginning of the narrows. Here are forts Namazieh, on the European side, and Chanak fortress opposite it, both modern fortifications armed with Krupp guns. Under the treaty of 1841, which was confirmed by the Paris peace treaty of 1856, no foreign warships were permitted to enter the Dardanelles except by the consent of Turkey.

Merchant vessels arriving at the narrows between sunrise and sunset were permitted to pass through in ordinary times without formalities, but after sunset and before sunrise no vessels were allowed to pass. Were an attempt made to do so a blue light would blaze from the forts and three blank shots would be fired. Should these warnings prove futile it was mandatory upon the forts that the shots be fired at a vessel disobeying the warning.

DESPERATE FIGHT OF RUSSIANS MEETING WITH SUCCESS.

Venice, Feb. 26.—Despatches from headquarters of the Austrian forces in the Carpathians as published in Vienna newspapers and telegraphed to Venice, state that furious fighting has been renewed at several points in the Carpathians. The Russians made particularly violent attacks on the Austrians in the neighborhood of Uzok Pass with a considerable measure of success. To the east of Uzok Pass the Russians are conducting a most vigorous defence. The Austrian troops there are facing a most difficult task, as the Russians last fall constructed an elaborate line of cement trenches.

Vienna, Feb. 26.—The following

official communication was issued Wednesday:

"On the Polish-Galician front quiet generally prevails, apart from isolated violent artillery duels and skirmishes."

"The situation in the Carpathians is generally unchanged."

"In Tuesday's fight on the Upper San river we stormed a height, capturing five officers and 198 men."

"To the north of the Ridge of Volovecz the enemy, under the protection of a snowstorm, made an obstinate attack and attempted to break through our position but was repulsed with severe losses. We captured 300 Russians."

"The fighting south of the Dniester river is expanding."

BRITISH PRESS COMMENT UPON GERMAN REPLY.

London, Feb. 19.—The London morning newspapers comment in strong terms on Germany's reply to the note of the United States concerning Germany's sea war zone. They especially resent Germany's claim that the United States government should not permit American arms and ammunition to reach the allies. They contend in answer to Germany's suggestion that American warships convey American food ships to Germany that such convoys would not safeguard the vessels from striking mines.

The Morning Post, in an editorial, says these are somewhat indigestible propositions to set before a proud and great nation. The Daily Chronicle asserts that no country in the past 40 years has indulged in supplying arms to belligerents more than Germany herself and instancing a case points to the Russo-Japanese and Balkan wars. It concludes:

"Indeed, the substance of the German note is a pretty open demand that America shall take sides with Germany. Such a demand, accompanied as it is, by threats, has seldom, if ever, before, been publicly uttered by one great power to another."

"We may safely guess," says the Daily News, "that America will see in the strange diplomatic effort of the German note no reason to change its opinion that the destruction of American ships or citizens would be an outrage involving the greatest peril to peaceful relations between America and Germany. If Germany is prepared to run the risk that is her concern."

The Times, in an editorial, says: "The German reply will hardly help to restore the sadly damaged reputation of Teutonic diplomacy, Germany tells President Wilson and the American people that she will pay no attention to their remonstrances. We cannot remember anything quite like it in the history of recent diplomacy."

Amsterdam, Feb. 18.—"If Germany had only to do with the United States," says the Amsterdam Telegraaf, "this answer would perhaps have been drawn up in somewhat kinder terms. It is, however, a question of intimidation at the same time a number of small neighboring countries where concession is regarded as a sign of weakness."

"As usual the German diplomat is hiding behind the rattling sword of the militarist. The eyes of all neutral states in Western Europe are now fixed on Washington and their owners are awaiting the next move of President Wilson."

Washington, Feb. 18.—Germany's reply to the American note of warning against any attacks on American vessels or lives in the new sea zones of war, served to increase rather than to diminish the concern of officials of the United States government over possible complications through the friendly tone of the communication made a favorable impression and gave some hope that an understanding for the protection of neutrals might yet be obtained.

Officials were apprehensive over the formal statement in the note that Germany disclaimed all responsibility for what might happen to neutral vessels venturing in the danger areas. The additional warning, too, that mines would be laid by Germany in the waters surrounding Great Britain and Ireland was regarded by them not only as menacing to ships carrying legitimate cargoes, but as likely to add further to the interruptions which American commerce has suffered since the outbreak of the war.

President Wilson and Secretary Bryan read the Associated Press copy of the German note, the official text of which was delayed in transit from Ambassador Gerard being expected tomorrow. While no comment was made at either the White House or the State Department, the feeling of grave concern was manifest.

That other neutral countries, especially Holland and the Scandinavian countries, also are apprehensive concerning the situation and have consulted the United States, it became known today. While there is no understanding implying joint action if any neutral vessels are sunk, the

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Washington government has made it plain that it is in accord with steps already taken by other neutral powers, copies of their notes and representations having been furnished to officials here.

SOME HOT STUFF FROM GERMAN PRESS BUREAU DISHEDED UP TO THE TURKS.

Cairo, Feb. 26.—The press bureau which the Germans have established in Constantinople appears to be spending its time in telling the Turks the story of the great war in the style of the "Arabian Nights." According to the Journal Ter-iman Askri, an Asia Minor publication, the Kaiser has already his self-made appointment to meet the Parisians in Paris. This paper says, on the authority of the Constantinople Press Bureau:

"The discourse delivered by His Islamic Majesty William II., when installed on the throne, in the ancient French parliament, will live as an unforgettable record of his magnificent exploits. Surrounded by his vanquished foes, he offered his imperial hand to be kissed by all the former deputies of the French chamber, whose hearts were touched by the splendid magnanimity of his Islamic Majesty."

Adrianople appears to have witnessed the greatest air feat of the war, for the newspaper Sabah, which is frank enough to state that "the news comes by radio telegraph from the German Press Bureau," tells this tale:

"Twenty-five Zeppelins have arrived at Adrianople, bringing to their destination the first Turkish army corps. We believe these soldiers of Osman will inflict a crushing defeat on the infidels."

If we are to believe the journal called the Hanumiah Ghazetash, the Turkish capital spring season will open with a tremendous sensation. Under the heading "Court News," that paper publishes this piece of startling news:

"The harem of his Imperial Islamic Majesty Wilhelm II. and the harem of the officers of his staff will arrive at Constantinople at the beginning of spring. Six of the most powerful dreadnoughts, which have been captured from the British, will escort the imperial harem."

TAKE NO PRISONERS, IS CRUEL ORDER OF GERMAN.

London, Feb. 26.—The military observer attached to the British headquarters in the field states, in a report given out by the official information bureau here, that a diary found on a German officer captured at Cunchy, France, contained an order stating that no prisoners were to be taken by the front line when making an attack.

"The phrase was ambiguous, and did not necessarily mean anything more than that the attacking line was not to stop to make prisoners," the report continues. "But it allows another interpretation, which, in view of the efforts made to inflame soldiers against the British, might easily have been adopted by the men of the particular regiment referred to. Suspicions are aroused by the fact that some time ago the colonel gave orders that no British prisoners were wanted."

SAVINGS DEPOSITS DOUBLE YEAR AGO

Ottawa, Feb. 26.—The bank statement for January is regarded as one that reflects well on the financial condition of the Dominion taking all things, all war, etc., into consideration. At the end of last January there were \$66,980,482 in the Canadian banks as savings deposits, an increase of \$31,424,527 over January last year, and \$4,130,445 more than December.

That business is in a fairly good state is indicated by the value of the notes in circulation. At the end of the last month notes to the value of \$97,192,699 were out, \$25,581,790 more than for the same month a year ago and \$8,777,056 of a decrease from the previous month.

The cautiousness of the banks is shown in the making of loans. Call loans in Canada show a falling off for last month, compared with January, 1914, of \$15,093,351 and of \$2,359,762, as against December. Call loans outside the Dominion were less at the end of January this year by \$22,980,129 than for January, 1914, and \$783,677 more than they were for December. Current loans in Canada show a decrease of \$41,463,219 in comparison with the same month last year and \$15,915,467 less than in December. Current loans outside this country declined \$12,004,115 in comparison with January last year. Compared with December there was an increase last month of \$426,490.

A. MAY IS LIBERAL CHOICE FOR EAST EDMONTON.

Edmonton, Feb. 26.—Alexander E. May, for many years postmaster in Edmonton, was nominated Wednesday evening as Liberal candidate for the new constituency of East Edmonton. The vote stood—May 71, W. J. McGrath 8, Joseph A. Clarke 13. The nomination was made unanimous. H. A. Mackie, an Edmonton lawyer, has already been nominated by the Conservatives.

Hay Wanted

CITY OF CALGARY—TENDERS FOR HAY.

Sealed Tenders, marked "Tender for Hay," addressed to the City Commissioners, will be received at the office of the undersigned up to 5 p.m., Thursday, the Eleventh (11) Day of March, 1916, for the supply and delivery, f.o.b. Victoria Park Spur, Calgary, or f.o.b. Calgary, of the whole or any quantity up to 500 tons of No. 1 Upland or No. 1 Timothy Baled or Loose Hay, of a quality to be approved by the City Stable Foreman.

Particulars and information may be obtained from Stable Foreman, Victoria Park, Calgary. Tenders may be received for any portion or for all of the above.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders in whole or in part, or to accept any bid or portion thereof, as may be deemed advantageous and to the satisfaction of the City.

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Blackfalds News

The well-known lecturer, Rev. H. Arthur Barton, paid a return visit to Blackfalds on Wednesday and lectured in the Methodist Church, his subject being "Man's Better Half." Mr. Barton kept his audience in constant good humor with his funny stories and droll expressions. Some splendid moral precepts were interwoven in the lecture and many good things were said concerning the place and power of woman's influence. Mr. Barton is an eloquent and rare man, and his lectures are well worth hearing, being both profitable and entertaining. At the close of the lecture the audience was invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Capron, where dainty refreshments were served and a social hour spent. Mr. Barton also visited the public school and delighted the children with his recitals. Methodist church services next Sunday, March 7—Lakeside, 11:30; Canby, 3; Blindman, 7:30. Rev. F. E. Davies will preach. Subject, "Knowing and Doing."

Wittenburg News

Paul Broaderson is busy hauling oats to Eckville. The ladies of this district want all the bachelors who have learnt the art of knitting to report at Lee's Hall. Mr. Chauncey, of Bentley, preached here last Sunday morning, and Mr. Hathaway, of Rimby, in the evening. Both services were well attended. A surprise party was held at Miss Baum's. A very enjoyable evening was spent. Two bridges are now being built on the Medicine north of here. B. Westlake, of Edmonton, son-in-law of Mrs. Lee, is in Calgary training, and expects to leave for the front any day. Mrs. Westlake sailed for England the 20th of February. E. Lee & Son are putting in a large supply of lumber for the settlers.

TURKS DROP ATTACK ON CANAL AND LEAVE FOR HOME SUDDENLY.

London, March 1.—"It is officially announced," says the Morning Post's Cairo correspondent, "that the Turks have evacuated the Sinai peninsula. This confirms the belief here that all danger of a second threatened invasion of Egypt is now removed."

HON. J. R. BOYLE FAVORS FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Edmonton, Feb. 25.—Hon. J. R. Boyle, provincial minister of education, revealed himself as favorably disposed to many of the series of charter amendments, brought to his attention this morning by a delegation from the Calgary school board, composed of J. T. Macdonald, chairman; W. M. Davidson, trustee; C. J. Ford, solicitor, and A. T. Jewell, secretary-treasurer. Among the matters that immediately enlisted his support were the clauses giving the board authority to issue text books and supplies, and to furnish meals to school children, to increase the compulsory school age to 15 instead of 14, and to make owners or managers of picture theatres and places of amusement liable to penalty for admitting children of school age during school hours, unless accompanied by guardians. The minister promptly gave assurances of support respecting free text books and supplies, and the furnishing of meals. He declared that the department had already under contemplation the matter of increasing the school age.

The suggestion to keep children out of places of amusement during school hours unless in care of guardians or parents, appealed to him so strongly that he advised making the clause even stricter than that suggested by the trustees, which included the words "after being warned." This, he thought, might be struck out altogether. He also asked if the trustees had under consideration a plan for stricter censorship of moving pictures that might be injurious to juveniles, while at the same time harmless to adults.

Hon. Mr. Boyle held out no hope of support for the suggestion to insert a conscience clause in the vaccination act, though promising to take it into consideration, and thought that something might be done towards making the attendance at night school as asked, compulsory in the larger centres. He also took into his consideration the suggestion of the delegation to change Arbor Day so as to make it a real Arbor Day and not an ordinary school holiday.

ROUMANIA IN PACT TO ASSIST ALLIES IN WAR.

Paris, March 1.—Take Jonescu, Roumanian minister of the interior, informed a meeting of Con-

servative Democrats, who were discontented with the party's policy, according to dispatches from Bucharest, that he had not attached the government because J. J. C. Brattino, former premier and minister of the interior, had concluded a formal agreement for common action with the triple entente powers (Great Britain, France and Russia). Proof of this would be found, he said, in the Roumanian loan made in London, which it would have been impossible to arrange if the Bucharest cabinet had not made a categorical statement of its position.

A Bucharest newspaper has announced that ten classes of reserves have been called out for March 3, and that senior students in the military colleges have been drafted into the regular army with the rank of non-commissioned officers.

RED CROSS SOCIETY CABLES ITS NEEDS.

Toronto, March 2.—The following cablegram has been received by Noel Marshall, chairman of the Canadian Red Cross Society, from Colonel Hodge, Canadian commissioner of the society in London, England:

"We desire a large supply of hospital suits, blue with red collar and cuffs; also bandages, lint gauze and red pocket handkerchiefs. Tobacco and cigarettes also needed. Discontinue making mufflers, helmets and mitts, and do not send any more heavy underwear."

The society has undertaken the work of enlarging the Duchess of Connaught hospital at Cliveden, Taplow, Bucks, from its present capacity of 150 beds to 500 beds. This is being done at the request of the British war office, and the cost of the four additional cottages will amount to \$80,000.

Major W. R. Leonard, I. St. Catharines, Ont., has donated \$25,000 of this amount.

BODIES FOUND; FEAR SHIP LOST

Paris, March 1.—A dispatch to the Liberte, from Morlaix, in the department on Finistere, on the English channel, says that a ship's boat bearing the name "Liverpool," and containing two dead negro seamen, was picked up yesterday in the Bay of Lorient, a well-known bathing resort.

From the appearance of the bodies, it is believed the men died from starvation or exposure. The correspondent says it is inferred that the Liverpool either struck a mine or was torpedoed.

There are four British vessels named Liverpool. The largest of these, a vessel of 3,176 tons, was last reported at Capetown, South Africa, last October. The others are small craft.

WOMAN LEAPS 500 FEET.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Mrs. W. F. Cockrell, of Delray, Va., jumped into the elevator shaft of the Washington monument at a landing near the top today, and fell to the bottom, more than 500 feet. She left a note addressed to her husband saying she was sure she could not recover from an illness. Her body was crushed by striking the sides of the shaft on the way down, and she was dead before reaching the ground.

It was the first time the towering obelisk has been the scene of suicide. Ten years ago a painter accidentally fell to his death. Mrs. Cockrell went to the observation gallery near the top in the elevator. Then she walked down to the third landing and clambered between the steel rails that separate the elevator shaft from the stairway. Sightseers screamed and clutched at her clothing. Portions of her dress gave way and Mrs. Cockrell plunged down the shaft.

EQUAL SUFFRAGE IS ASKED BY WOMEN OF ALBERTA.

Edmonton, Feb. 27.—The legislative chamber was filled with representative women of different societies and women's organizations this afternoon to present to Premier Sifton and his cabinet the case in favor of woman's franchise. There were a dozen

speakers, concluding with Mrs. Nellie McClung, all making a vigorous appeal that Alberta should be the first Canadian province, and Hon. Mr. Sifton the first premier to grant them the boon of votes for women. The premier, while not committing himself to his own opinions, said that at the next session it was the intention to make some changes in the Franchise Act. He advised them in the meantime to bring all possible pressure to bear upon the members of the legislature for it would devolve upon them when the question came up to make a decision. Members of the delegation afterwards expressed themselves as pleased with the reception and determined to continue their campaign until they obtain their much desired privilege.

FREE LECTURE IN TOWN HALL, FRIDAY, MARCH 5TH, 8 P.M.

Mr. E. A. Shorebottom, Deputy Supreme Chief Ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters for Alberta, will deliver an address on fraternal insurance, outlining the protection it affords and the economy of cost when on a sound actuarial basis for both men and women, Friday, March 5th, at 8 o'clock, in the Town Hall, Lacombe, under the auspices of Court Canyon, No. 3678, I.O.F. Admission free. The ladies and members of all other fraternal societies are especially invited to be present.

ALLIES WILL DECLARE BLOCKADE OF ENEMIES' COASTS IN TWO WEEKS

London, March 1.—A virtual blockade of their enemies' coasts is the allies' answer to Germany's new submarine warfare. This is the unanimous opinion expressed in official circles today of the stated position the allies would formally make public before night.

The statement expected this afternoon will merely assert the right of the allies to stop all shipping to Germany and her allies. It is understood the allies reserve the right to put such an order into effect after having given notice to the neutral powers. On account of the German submarine warfare upon merchantmen the prohibition will become effective within a fortnight.

It is pointed out by government officials that while the prospective announcement is without precedent, international law is certain to avoid any conflict with neutral powers. Concessions made to neutral shippers will aid the allies in an inflexible blockade.

NURSERY RHYMES UP-TO-DATE.

Little Hans Horner sat in a corner, Tasting a culture pie; With his finger and thumb he produced a "Dum-Dum" And said "What a war Lord am I."

Ding-Dong-De!! France was in the well; Who put her in? William of Berlin. Who helped her out? Britons with a shout!

Oh what a naughty German boy Our friends in Paris to annoy!

Belgian Mary, quite contrary, How does your garden grow? With German shells and poisoned wells, And ruined folk all in a row.

Little Turpits has lost his ships, And don't know where to find them— At Kiel, they say, they're hidden away From the British fleet behind them.

Hey-diddle-diddle, a nation to riddle, The Kaiser set out with his guns; The Allies laughed to see such sport, And the "War Lord" ran off with his Huns.

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When the pay envelope is divided with the saloonkeeper, the merchant suffers as well as the home—no money to buy boots and shoes or sugar and tea. Vote out the liquor business July 21st, 1915.

There was an old Kaiser who lived in a shoe; He had so many soldiers he didn't know what to do; But the Allies soon gave them some bayonets and lead, And whipped them all soundly and put them to bed.

Kaiser Bill went up the hill, His British foes to slaughter, Bill fell down and lost his crown And loudly yelled for quarter.

Kaiser, Kaiser, gander, where do your men wander? Upstairs, downstairs, in my lady's chamber, Burning their cathedrals till they couldn't say their prayers, Then there came the Allied troops who flung them down the stairs.

Old Kaiser Hubbard attacked a French cupboard, To collar a Paris bone; At Mons and Cambrai, Allied troops barred the way, And so the poor dog had none.

Bill, Bill, the Kaiser Hun, Built some battleships just for fun; They chanced to meet the British fleet And so went howling in retreat.

Kaiser Bill had so little sense, He built a fleet at a cost immense, But the only tune that he could play, Was "Heligoland and hide away."

Higgledy-Piggledy, my Black Hun! She lays mines where the trade ships run, Friends and foes she treats as one— Higgledy-Piggledy, my Black Hun!

Little Miss Muffet she started to bluff it, Bragging about "The Day," A big British spider steamed up and defied her, And frightened her navy away.

Sing a song of millions, a fleet all gone astray, Four and Twenty Battleships hidden safe away! When the war was opened, at Kiel they took their ease, Wasn't that a pretty fleet to try and rule the seas?

Chas. West is in Lacombe looking after his interests. He reports business very bad in the States.

LIKELY THE FINISH OF AUSTRIAN FLEET.

Rome, March 2.—A Berlin despatch declares that the Austrian fleet has left the Adriatic Sea for the Aegean, to engage the Anglo-French fleet, which is attacking the Dardanelles.

All Turkish troops in Thrace and from the garrison at Adrianople have been concentrated before Constantinople to defend the capital from attack by forces from the allied fleet.

The Turkish government has decided to remove the capital to Konia, states a despatch from Constantinople to the Tribune. Konia is 300 miles southeast of Constantinople in Asia Minor.

TOOK HIS LIFE WHEN ACCUSED.

Peterboro, March 2.—As the result of the death of Helen Brown, aged 18, which, according to the finding of a coroner's jury, resulted from a criminal operation, Dr. Ernest W. Brown was arrested this afternoon, and a few hours later committed suicide by taking strychnine. After his arrest Dr. Brown sent for his solicitor to make his will. The chief of police was present at the time and saw him set down a glass from which he had evidently taken a drink.

The police had examined witnesses in Brown's presence, and Brown spoke of the evidence with great bitterness and said an attempt was being made to incriminate him, though he was perfectly innocent. The doctor said he was tired, and the chief locked him in the cell. Returning later with a clergyman, he heard a shriek and found Brown in convulsions. By the time another physician arrived, Dr. Brown was dead.

Dr. Brown was about 55 years of age, and a graduate of Trinity Medical School, Toronto. He had been practicing here about 20 years. He leaves a wife, one son and one daughter.

ANARCHISTIC PLOT IN NEW YORK NIPPED.

New York, March 2.—The discovery of an anarchistic plot involving the assassination of Andrew Carnegie, Cornelius Vanderbilt, John D. Rockefeller and his son, and other wealthy men, and the inauguration of a reign of terror and looting in this city, was announced by the police today after they had arrested, under dramatic circumstances, a man who had just placed two bombs in St. Patrick's Cathedral, where several hundred people were worshipping. Today's sensational development was the culmination

of months of work by detectives in uncovering a conspiracy which, they declare, projected the opening of a campaign of violence and bloodshed without precedent in New York City.

So carefully had the police worked out their plans that the anarchist was even allowed to light the fuse of one of the bombs which he carried into the cathedral. Scarcely had the bomb carrier ignited the fuse when one of half a hundred disguised detectives who were stationed in and about the church crushed the sputtering thread under his heel and in another moment the plot was taken into custody.

Frank Abarno was the name given by the man who placed the bombs in the cathedral. Later, Charles Carbone, an 18-year-old youth, was arrested as the actual manufacturer of the explosives, and more arrests are expected.

For Baby Carriages and Carts, see Lacombe Furniture Store. Our Spring shipment is now in stock.

Bentley News

Weather remains steady, while March came in rather cool and blustery. It was by no means very lionish.

Bentley supported the Lacombe hockey team by a very good attendance at the Lacombe games on Tuesday and Friday last, and an even half-dozen went with them to Edmonton on March 1st and saw their defeat on the large open rink at that place.

Mr. Colley has moved his family out from Lacombe and is well settled in the new drug store, where we hope to see him prosper.

Dr. Baker is billing a sale of household goods and a team of horses, harness and buggy for the 6th. Evidently the doctor is leaving us.

W. Gambrone arrived from Calgary, where he has been working for a vacation and visit among friends here.

Mr. Barton, the entertaining speaker who pleased us with his lively discourses a few weeks ago, will be with us again on March 25th, and we hope to see a full house to hear him.

J. B. McPherson has received an extension of his cutting privileges in the timber where his mill is located, and has arranged to proceed with the cutting.

On Tuesday last B. Williams went from Bentley to Lacombe with his car in 32 minutes. That is less time than it can be made in the summer safely, owing to the sand around the lake.

Special discounts at the McPherson Grocery on Saturdays. Doors, Windows, etc., at lowest prices at the McPherson Lumber Yard.

F. H. LYNN'S

Auction Sale

Instructed by the owner, I will sell by auction, on the S.W. 1/4 20-41-26, W4, known as the old Oakes Farm, 5 miles N.W. of Lacombe, on

Thursday, March 11

at 10 o'clock, the following Farm Stock, Implements, etc.:

HORSES

1 Bay Gelding, 4 years old, weight 1,500; 1 Grey Gelding, 3 years old, weight 1,600; 1 Brown Mare, 3 years old, weight 1,500; 1 team Bay Mares, 9 years old, weight 2,800, in foal; 1 Sorrel Gelding, 12 years old, weight 1,400; 1 Hackney Mare, 2 years old, weight 1,000; 1 Bay Mare, 2 years old, weight 900; 2 Colts.

CATTLE AND CHICKENS

7 choice Milch Cows, from 3 to 7 years old; 3 Heifers, 2 years old, in calf; 1 Steer, 2 years old; 1 Yearling Steer; 6 Calves; 250 Plymouth Rock Chickens.

MACHINERY, ETC.

1 John Deere 12-inch Gang Plow; 1 Emerson 12-inch Disc Gang Plow; 1 Emerson 16-inch Sulky Plow; 1 Combination Walking Plow; 1 Cultivator; 1 7-ft. Massey-Harris Binder; 1 Massey-Harris Mower and Rake; 1 Wheel Disc Harrow; 1 5-section Diamond Tooth Harrow; 1 Harrow Cart; 1 Massey-Harris Shoe Drill; 2 good Wagons with grain tanks; 2 set Bobleighs; 1 Hayrack; 1 set Trucks; 1 Buggy; 1 Threshing outfit, comprising Eclipse Sawyer-Massey Separator, complete with high bagger, straw carriers, etc.; 1 8 h.p. gasoline engine, almost new; 3 set Heavy Harness; 1 Single Harness; 1 Steel Barrel; 1 Barrel Churn; 2 5-gallon Cream Cans; 1 Ideal Incubator and Brooder; 1 Sharples Cream Separator; 17 tons Baled Timothy Hay.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

2 Iron Bedsteads; 1 Camp Bed; Chiffonier; 1 Extension Table; lot Chairs; 3 Rocking Chairs; 1 High Chair; 1 new Extension Couch; 10 yards Linoleum; new Carpet Square 9 ft. 2 in. by 6 ft. 10 in.; Rugs; 1 Heater; 1 Empress Range; 1 Sewing Machine; 1 Centre Table; 1 Kitchen Cupboard; Clothes Horse; 1 set Teco Scales; Dishes; Crocks; Lamps; Lanterns; all Cooking Utensils; Window Shades; Pillows, and other articles too numerous to mention.

LUNCH AT NOON

TERMS—All sums up to \$20, cash; over that amount a credit of 8 months will be given on approved joint bankable note bearing interest at 8 per cent; 5 per cent discount for cash.

S. W. PAISLEY, Auctioneer

F. H. LYNN, Owner.

A. J. CAMERON, Clerk.

9 Months Credit AUCTION SALE Saturday, March 20 1915

Having instructions from Messrs. John Anderson and Frank Prause who have disposed of their farms, I will sell at the premises, N.W. of 32-40-4, 5th, 5 miles west and 2 miles north of Gibby, 7 miles north and 2 miles east of Leslieville, on above date, all Commencing at 11 o'clock sharp, their Live Stock, Farm Implements, Grain and Furniture, as follows:

LIVE STOCK

Black Gelding, 5 years, weight about 1,250 lbs.; Grey Mare, in foal, 4 years, weight about 1,150 lbs.; Bay Gelding, 3 years, weight about 1,050 lbs.; team Bay and Black Geldings, 6 and 6 years, weight about 2,000 lbs.; Bay Mare, extra good driver, 6 years, weight about 1,250 lbs.; Cow, 4 years old, in calf; 7 Heifers, rising 3 years, in calf; 25 Chickens.

IMPLEMENTS

Bain Wagon; John Deere Disc; Breaking Plow; Frost & Wood Binder; Mower; Hayrake; Spring-tooth Harrow; Drag Harrow; Set of Sleighs; Top Buggy; set of light Sleighs.

HARNESS

Set of Driving Harness; 2 sets of Team Harness; Stock Saddle. A quantity of Hay; 50 bushels Seed Oats; 700 feet Dressed Lumber.

FURNITURE AND SMALL TOOLS

2 Cook Stoves; Heating Stove; Iron Bed; Spring and Mattress; a lot of Dishes; Shotgun; Hand Seeder; Carpenter Tools; Axes; Hoes; Logging Chains, and a lot of other articles.

TERMS—All sums of \$20 or under will be cash; over that amount a credit of 9 months will be given, purchaser furnishing approved joint bankable note or other satisfactory security bearing 8 per cent interest from date of sale until due, and 10 per cent after due until paid; 8 per cent discount for cash on sums over \$20. Nothing to be removed from the premises until settled for. Lot the date down in your mind, take a holiday on this date and attend the sale.

A. ROGERS, Auctioneer

Red Deer, Alta. ANDERSON & PRAUSE, Owners J. M. McDONALD, Clerk.

Notice!

To Our Customers

We have found that our road deliveries are costing us too much. It does not pay to drive over the same ground several times each day. We have decided to deliver once a day only, about four o'clock, and if our customers will adapt themselves to this, delivery will cost us less and we will give our customers the advantage of it. We are not putting on any special sales, but we would like to have you compare our regular prices with other special prices.

Nicholson & Switzer

WANTED

GIRL—Girl wanted for general housework.—Apply Mrs. C. B. Halpin, or Western Globe.

TEACHER—Teacher wanted for Milton S. D. No. 404; duties to commence March 1st.—Apply, stating qualifications and salary wanted, to J. I. Green, Secretary-Treasurer. (F24-3p)

DRESSMAKING

Having taken up my residence in Lacombe, I am prepared to do all kinds of first-class dressmaking; satisfaction guaranteed. MISS M. L. COURT. Phone 181. (F17-4p)

FOR SALE

SEED WHEAT—I have about 75 bushels of Marquis Wheat for seed for sale; also a Purebred Duroc Jersey Boar, 1 year old, for sale.—Apply C. W. Boys, Lacombe P. O. (F17-4p)

DUROC JERSEY BOAR—I have a Duroc Jersey Boar, purebred, for sale.—Apply Jas. Reid, Lacombe; P.O. Box 125. (F17-1p)

COCKERELS—A few purebred Barred Rock Cockerels, price \$1.50.—Apply F. B. Stewart. Phone 704. (M3-4c)

SEED—Timothy Seed for sale that grades No. 1 and tests for germination 96, government test, and priced to suit the times; order early and don't get left.—Address C. H. Osborne, Bentley, Alta. (F24-3c)

MARES, GELDINGS, ETC.—Some good mares in foal, and geldings and turkeys; some young gobblers over 20 pounds; Buff Orpington roosters.—J. M. Southard, 4 miles west. Phone 102 R. (F3-4c)

STABLE TO RENT.

The Arcade Stables on Barnett Avenue to rent from March 1st. Possession may be had sooner by arrangement with Jas. Tocher.—Apply P. H. Winter. (F10-3c)

SNAPS AT NEW AND SECOND-HAND STORE.

1 \$250 Brunswick Pool Table, complete, good as new...\$125.00
1 \$120 Stimpson Computing Scales... 35.00
1 \$175 Six Oatave Doherty Organ, good as new... 75.00
1 \$30 Peerless Incubator... 15.00
1 \$110 Magnet Cream Separator, good as new... 50.00
2 \$90 Capitol Cream Separators, \$25.00 and... 35.00
1 \$54 New Drophead Singer Sewing Machine... 36.00
1 \$60 New Drophead Singer Sewing Machine... 30.00
2 \$45 Raymond Drophead Sewing Machines... 26.00
Phonographs, Violins, Mandolins, Banjos and Guitars. Dressers and Stands, Beds, Springs and Mattresses, Chairs. High Grade Pawned Watches, \$5.00 and up.
Guns and Ammunition.
Balance of my Bankrupt Stock to be sold for 50c. on the dollar.
Improved Farm 2 1/2 miles from Wittenburg to trade for house in Lacombe.
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Well located business lots in Lacombe.
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First-class improved half section of land near Lacombe.
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We also carry the Motor High Speed Flyer, New Century and Snowball, all good washers of their kind. Prices ranging from **\$8.00 to \$15.00**



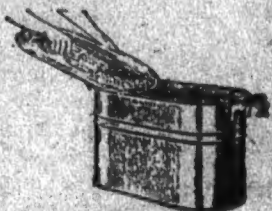
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In Galvanized Tubs we carry three sizes in light, medium and extra heavy, and our prices range from **85c to \$1.75**



Tin and Copper Boilers

This year we are making a number of our own Boilers in Tin and Copper, and they will easily outlast the imported ones. Prices of Boilers range from **\$1.60 to \$5.00**



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A Lesson From Hard Times

When little Willie is being spanked it only adds to his pain for father to tell him that it is done for his good. If the operation is effective he is too absorbed in his physical suffering to be able to indulge in moral reflections. In these days it is a cruel and disastrous reprisal to tell a man, irritable from business cares and anxieties, that hard times will do him good and be to the ultimate advantage of his nation. Yet if such a man could be caught in some quiet moment of brief respite from imperative duty, it might be possible to force his mind to a contemplation of some of the refining processes now working in this Dominion.

It can now be seen that the marvelous development and rapid expansion of the past decade had created hectic business conditions and swept the average business man into impatience with conservative business principles. In many cases he is the man who lived through the moneyless early nineties when he was doing small, hardly won, but legitimate business. The first sounds of boom times found him cautious and incredulous. But soon his cold eye caught fire as he became first mildly optimistic, then frankly optimistic, and finally he became wildly optimistic.

At last he reached a frame of mind in which paper profits seemed real possessions, and the mountain of debt permitted by a too elastic credit system a diaphanous cloud. Then suddenly came hard times, and the white light of hard reality, and the paper profits blew out of the window, while the credit cloud floated in and settled, a very solid weight, on his shoulders. He cannot be blamed, especially if he lived in the electric atmosphere of the west. The growth was unprecedented and business opportunities so numerous as to bewilder the steadiest mind. But now he is chastened, perhaps a sadder, but certainly a better man. The concussion has awakened him to reality. He now sees clearly the difference between investment and speculation, between value and sentiment. And one great advantage of hard times will be that Canadian business will be forced down to sound and rigid foundations, based upon actual values, conducted on safe lines and framed to meet real needs. If that be true, the advantage of hard times to Canada and Canadian business is quite tangible. Any business which relies upon borrowed capital for its sustenance must, in spite of confidence in the lender if it is to succeed. It may be frankly stated that Canadian credit has suffered some severe setbacks in the estimation of her chief lender by such promotions as the Union Life Company and such operations as that of the McCutcheon Bros. It is essential that the confidence of the lender be restored. The surest way to that end is for the Canadian business world to recognize that there are certain principles in ethics that must be adopted as imperative standards in business. And in these times the harassed dun-dodger will keenly feel the truth of the statement that in all times the safe way is the sure way, that the sounder the business the fewer the worries.

A second benefit that is already accruing from hard times is that this nation is discovering the difference between comfort and luxury, between necessity and extravagance. It can now be admitted that the scale was too lavish in many families. The standard of living was pitched too high. A mortgage on the home was too heavy a burden to carry for the sake of display in the automobile class. A twelve-roomed house to accommodate a family of two; furniture and appointments, selected not by the canons of taste, but by the apex of costly home life bartered for ephemeral social success or expensive amusement; these things, mentioned at hazard, were rapidly giving the Canadian people—especially of the west—a feverish, unhealthy temperament. Hard times will produce a feeling of moderation and a sense of proportion. The home will regain its right place at the centre of life and the family become a unit instead of a constellation. Society will become more natural, and social usages simpler. The ultimate effect will be to strengthen and to improve the tone of the national character.

At the risk of appearing to sermonize, a "thirdly" might be added here. It was a common boast that the Canadian is, above all, broad-minded. In a sense that was quite true. But in the fact that his mind was concentrated on business interests, and largely confined to money-making pursuits, is to be found justification for the statement that his outlook was actually narrow. He had no time for the fine arts. He was not even a dilettante in music or painting, and his literature was commercial. The background, the foreground and the sky of his life was business. And as for the wider outlook he never opened his mind to a quiet, patient consideration of the great reasons and the great will behind all things. He measured his life in years and his potentialities in terms of currency. But when hard times have scared and crushed and almost broken him, he will emerge from the tests refined and even ennobled, and will, have received the sight that enables him to gaze on wider horizons. In that day he will know better than to quote fine words recently heard—to "place the achievements of man on the throne of God."

Well, perhaps good, easy, money times will come back again before all that has been suggested here takes place. If it should be so, the foregoing will not be proved; untrue thereby. But if not, if the lessons of hard times be fully learned, and their imprint indelibly engraved, in a national business integrity, an ennobled national character and a widened national outlook will be obtained—the "blessings in disguise" brought by hard times.

Leslieville News

Mr. Hunt, of Lacombe, visited our councillor, B. F. Austin, and W. E. Whaley, on Thursday.

Mrs. W. E. Whaley was on the sick list for over a week, but is up and around again now.

Jabez McPherson's mill is running full blast. It is safe to say he is selling more lumber than all the rest of the mills in the west; he cannot keep his orders filled. That is going some when he is sawing 10,000 feet a day.

W. E. Whaley has just finished his wood sawing for the summer and next winter also.

The masquerade ball at Leslieville was a great success. An elegant supper was served at the Foreman Hotel.

H. Ostrum purchased a fine span of geldings last week. B. E. Moore has returned from Lacombe, where he has been for a few days on business.

Mr. Gray, of Sylvan Lake, is moving into our midst. Glad to welcome him in.

B. F. Austin is busy these days hauling logs to McPherson's mill. B. Brekke is working at the Valley Lumber Co. these days.

N. Otfedahl was hauling straw from below Leslieville the end of the week.

DR. BAKER'S Public Sale AT BENTLEY

Saturday, March 6th

Commencing at 2 o'clock sharp, I will sell at auction the following described property without reserve:

One team, Mare and Gelding, 7 years old, weight 2,000 lbs. This team is well mated and is one of the best driving teams in this country. No road too long for them.

One good Buggy, and Driving Harness.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS

One new Steel Range; Round Oak Heater; new Iron Bedstead, Springs and Mattress, complete; Wood Bed and Springs; 2 Mission Oak Parlor Chairs; Mission Oak Table; 12 Dining Chairs; Washing Machine and Wringer; Sewing Machine (Singer); Stair Carpets; Dresser; Chiffonier; 24 yards of new Linoleum; Dishcloths; Cooking Utensils; Lamps and other articles too numerous to mention. TERMS CASH. NO RESERVE. DR. BAKER, Owner.

C. F. FAMRON, Auctioneer.

MAIL CONTRACT.

Sealed Tenders, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until Noon, on Friday, the 26th March, 1915, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails, on a proposed Contract for four years, twice per week each way, over the Lacombe Rural Mail Delivery Route No. 3, via Iowalta and Lochinvar, from the 1st April next.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the post offices of Lacombe, Lochinvar and Iowalta, and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.

Post Office Inspector's Office, Edmonton, 12th February, 1915. A. W. CAIRNS, Post Office Inspector. (F17.3c)

Independent Order of Forresters

I. O. F. Insurance versus Twenty-Year Endowment with Profits

A QUESTION IN THE COST OF PROTECTING THE FUTURE EARNING POWER OF OUR LIVES.

THE CLAIM OF LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES REFUTED.

I.O.F. Certificates yield better results than Endowment Policies issued by Life Insurance Companies.

Two men, A and B, each age twenty, invest \$240.00 yearly. A takes out a \$5,000 twenty-year Endowment Policy with a company; B takes out an I.O.F. Certificate for \$5,000 at a yearly cost of \$56.00 (including Court dues), and invests the balance of \$184.00 yearly at 6 per cent.

WHICH MAN MADE THE BETTER INVESTMENT.

1. If B dies within twenty years, his beneficiaries will receive \$5,000.00, and in addition the accumulation of \$184.00 yearly; whereas A's beneficiaries will only receive \$5,000.00 in the event of his death.

The I.O.F. Certificate also provides an optional cash surrender value of \$700.00 on each \$1,000.00 insurance carried in case of the total and permanent disability or on reaching seventy years of age.

And yet, there have been found those who do not believe in the efficiency and economy of fraternal insurance on an actuarial basis at co-operative cost enjoyed by membership in this order in addition to other social and fraternal benefits.

Men and women between the ages of eighteen and fifty-five years who appreciate protecting the future earning power of their lives for the benefit of themselves or those depending upon them, against the hazard of sickness, total permanent disability, death, or the possible need in case of old age, can do so in this order in policies ranging from \$500.00 to \$5,000.00, by applying for membership in the local Courts, or, where there is none, in the Court "at large."

Where twenty or more wish to join the order they will be granted a local Court.

For further information to those interested, apply by mail or phone to

E. A. SHOEBOOTOM, Superintendent of Organization and Insurance for Central Alberta, 536 Tenth Street, Edmonton. Phone 82314.

NOTE—The I.O.F. maintains the reserve for the insurance in force under the Insurance Act of the Dominion of Canada, in keeping with the requirements governing old-line insurance.

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Are Arriving

Before making up our stock sheet there are many articles we wish to sell, such as Mackinaw Coats, Felt Shoes, Mitts and Gloves, Sweater Coats, etc. A good time to buy many articles is right now and from us.

Watt & Hay

McLear Block Lacombe

CONSTANTINOPLE IN STATE OF PANIC; CABINET TO DECAMP.

London, Feb. 28.—Already there is a panic in Constantinople and many inhabitants are leaving, says the Athens correspondent of the Weekly Despatch. "Internal trouble is imminent. The cabinet has decided to transfer the seat of the government so Broussard, Asia Minor."

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HON. MR. MARSHALL'S ADDRESS ON GREATER PRODUCTION CAMPAIGN.

Hon. Duncan Marshall, minister of agriculture, is one of the contributors to an agricultural year book, entitled "Patriotism and Production, More Than Usual," issued by the Hon. Martin Burrell, Dominion minister of agriculture. The other contributors include: Premier Borden; Hon. W. T. White, minister of finance; Hon. G. H. Murray, premier of Nova Scotia; Hon. George Lawrence, minister of Agriculture, Manitoba; Hon. W. R. Motherwell, minister of agriculture, Saskatchewan; Hon. J. A. Murray, minister of agriculture, New Brunswick; W. E. Scott, deputy minister of agriculture, British Columbia; Sir George Paish, financial adviser to Great Britain, and Hon. Jos. E. Caon, minister of agriculture, Quebec. Mr. Marshall's contribution is as follows:

"Probably the greatest danger to the farmer at present is that of being stampeded into a line of operations that looks like a good thing in the immediate future, but which in the end may not prove to be either the most profitable or the most desirable line of action. Farmers are being advised to make a special effort to grow grain to feed the war-stricken countries. It will be good business for every farmer to get every acre he can under crop next year, as the price for grain will not only likely hold good, but will in all probability go higher, but it is only good business to do this when you can get your crop in under good conditions. Don't let any farmer be persuaded next spring to sow to grain the field that he knows should be summer-fallowed. It would be better to put the extra time and labor on the land he has in good cropping condition; rather give it a few extra strokes with the harrow, making the seed-bed as perfect as possible, thus insuring a better crop of clean, fresh land, than to spend time rushing into crop land that is dirty and worn, and that needs a summer's work to fit it for growing a reasonably good crop.

"This has been the finest fall for getting work done that Alberta farmers have experienced for some years. There has been several times as much fall plowing done this autumn as last year, summer fallows have been better worked, there has been abundance of moisture and the land is in an ideal fall condition, so that with good surface cultivation in the spring, the crop should be seeded under the most promising conditions. My suggestion under these conditions is to get this land under crop and plant it in the best possible way. Use the drag harrow and the packer liberally and particularly in the south do not be afraid to use the harrow after the crop is up, and spend extra time on this land that promises real production, instead of wasting time getting fields into crop that are unfit and that will only give a small yield under ideal weather conditions or would be a failure in a dry summer, thus losing to the farmer not only his seed, but his chance to summer-fallow this land and to have it ready for a bumper crop the following year. In other words, the farmer who will be the best off in the long run is the man who will not allow the present high prices to turn him from the best methods of soil cultivation he knows, and who will keep steadily on improving his system of farming. He may be able to crop more now, as labor will be cheaper, and he should if he can, but he must not sacrifice efficiency in farm work simply to get a larger area seeded.

"What I have said about cultivation of the soil is also true of live stock. One of the things I fear is that farmers may be tempted to sacrifice their live stock on account of the high prices of grain. Don't do this. Live stock is the foundation of all permanently successful farming today, just as surely as it has been in the past. Circumstances seem to have conspired at the present moment to depreciate live stock prices, but just as surely as the packers have pounded down the prices at present because of the disposition of the farmers to sell off hogs and cattle rather than to feed high-priced grain, just so surely will they be compelled to pay good prices for hogs and cattle a short time hence. The world's supply of meat cannot be produced as quickly as a supply of grain, and the man who stays with the live stock business will win in the end.

"This same condition holds good respecting horses. The draft horses of Belgium and France will be almost annihilated, and the farmer who is raising a few draft colts now will find a market that will be attractive and profitable before long. If the war lasts for any extended time, all the light and nondescript horses will be left in the trenches and the demand for good farm and work horses will be abnormal.

"In conclusion, the business of the farmer in Alberta at present is to keep on improving and increasing the cultivation of his land and the quality and number of his live stock, putting a little extra effort into his farm operations, because of the great crisis through which we are passing, but at all times keeping his head and farming for future as well as present results."

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WOUGHT TO TREAT THEM AS PIRATES.

London, Feb. 26.—English newspapers are ceasing the attempts to minimize the importance of the submarine campaign. The public attitude generally is that we must now wholly trust our own authorities.

The demand grows that we should treat submarine crews sinking unarmed merchantmen without warning as pirates. The Morning Post says: "Germany, on the sea, is hostis humani generis and the sooner the fact is recognized the better. It is often said that the law of nations has no force, there existing no means for enforcing it, but the fact remains that pirates who are outside the law suffer certain highly disagreeable disabilities and penalties. Execution Dock is not an attractive or even dignified port of call for ships of what was an honorable service."

The public here cannot understand why our government delays declaring all the enemy's goods, carried under whatever flag, contraband.

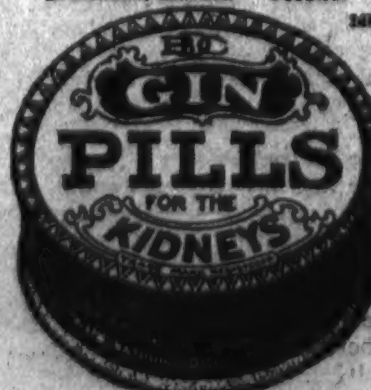
Parliament, despite occasional flickers of controversy, is deadly dull. "The house suffers for its respectability," says one critic. "Without party contests it loses interest in itself and fears the indifference of the electors. The lobby is emptier and duller than at any time within recollection. There are no intrigues and controversies. There is no thrill of passion and members have no political gossip. They attend to their correspondence, which is unusually heavy, and go home early. While faithfully doing their parliamentary duty they have no zest in the ordinary life of the lobby and their thoughts flee to ships and soldiers."

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Over the Dardanelles**

London, March 2.—A despatch
 to the Exchange Telegraph Com-
 pany, from Athens, says:

"The allies have disembarked
 detachments of artillery near the
 destroyed Dardanelles forts, and
 British and French flags are now
 flying over them."

"The fleet continued a bombard-
 ment of inner forts yesterday
 afternoon. A powder magazine
 was blown up. There were
 numerous victims. The fleet had
 reached as far as the lighthouse
 near Fort Kilia Bahr, about 18
 miles from the entrance. The
 forts on the European side have
 been reduced to silence. Mine
 sweeping operations continue."

"There are 50,000 Turks on the
 European and 10,000 on the Asi-
 atic side."

Fort Kilia Bahr is on the fam-
 ous Narrows, where the straits
 are only about a mile and the
 strongest mine field is supposed
 to be between Kilia Bahr and
 Kaphez, a point somewhat this
 side of the narrows. The straits

widen slightly after Kilia Bahr
 and narrow again at Nagara. In
 the Nagara roads is the warship
 anchorage of the Turkish fleet,
 but it may be presumed that
 guardships have been stationed
 between this and the narrows.
**WARSHIPS FIRED THOUSAND
 SHELLS IN ONE DAY.**

Paris, March 2.—The allied
 fleet on Friday fired a thousand
 shells at the Dardanelles forts,
 says a despatch from the Athens
 correspondent of the Havas Ag-
 ency. The message continues:

"The British fleet discharged
 its guns at a distance of 18 kilo-
 metres (about 12 miles). The
 battleship Gaulois (French) dis-
 tinguished herself, contributing
 largely to the destruction of Fort
 Sedd-El-Bahr."

"Saturday, 40 vessels advanced
 as far as Fort Orkhanish and
 swept the Turkish encampments.
 Then they bombarded Intepe,
 which they destroyed."

"Submarines, protected by
 French vessels and aeroplanes,

constantly moved about. Torpedo
 dragging was effected methodical-
 ly."

"According to information
 from authoritative sources the
 arrival of numerous injured sol-
 diers caused a panic in Constantin-
 ople. Special trains are con-
 stantly under steam at Haidar
 Pasha ready to transport the im-
 perial family and the treasury to
 the interior of Asia."

"During the bombardment of
 Sedd-El-Bahr, munition depots
 blew up, killing many defenders,
 among them being numerous Ger-
 mans."

Paris, March 2.—The ministry
 of marine has issued the follow-
 ing statement regarding the op-
 erations in the Dardanelles:

"The Anglo-French fleet con-
 tinued during February 26 the op-
 eration of forcing the Dardanelles.
 The mine dragging was effected
 without incident up to four miles
 from the entrance. Three battle-
 ships advanced in the strait as
 far as the limit of the dragging

operations and successfully bom-
 barded the batteries, while a de-
 tachment which was landed fin-
 ished the demolition of the four
 forts which had been cannonaded
 and reduced the day before."

"The loss of the combined fleet
 in this operation was insignifi-
 cant, one man being killed and
 three injured."

**FORCING OF STRAITS WILL
RELEASE VAST QUANTITIES
OF RUSSIAN WHEAT.**

The attempt to force the straits
 by the allied fleet is indeed of
 momentous importance to the al-
 lies. The opening of the straits
 would release the Russian grain,
 which the allies want, and would
 give Russia war material which
 she herself cannot produce, while
 it would be certain to have a
 marked effect on the future pol-
 icy of the Balkan states."

The allies, however, do not an-
 ticipate that their success in the
 Dardanelles undertaking will be
 immediate, for they are now fac-
 ing the hardest part of the prob-
 lem, having the strongest forts
 ahead of them, although the guns
 of these forts have not the range
 of the guns of the larger ships,
 particularly the 16-inch guns of
 the Queen Elizabeth."

The fact that the Queen Eliza-
 beth is in commission suggests

that her four sister ships, all of
 which were laid down within a
 few weeks of each other, are ei-
 ther in the fighting line or ready to
 go in it. These five ships are
 considered the greatest fighting
 machines in the world, and be-
 sides being heavily armored are
 almost as fast as battle cruisers.
 Although their speed is given as
 26 knots, the Queen Elizabeth
 made 28 in her trials, and she
 may exceed that."

**TURKEY'S FINISH IS NOW IN
SIGHT**

New York, Feb. 28.—A special
 to the Tribune from London says:
 "The possibility of the United
 States, as the most powerful neu-
 tral tolerant state, being placed
 in some position of supervision
 of the Holy Land, has been con-
 sidered in responsible quarters,
 where even now study is being
 given to a division of Turkey in
 the event of a victory for the al-
 lies."

"The feeling against Turkey is
 intense and no secret is made of
 the fact that it means Turkey's
 finish as a nation if victory rests
 with the allies."

"With regard to other sections
 of the Ottoman empire, division
 of spheres does not present great
 difficulties."

**U. S. STEAMER DACIA IS CAP-
TURED BY FRENCH CRUIS-
ER—TAKEN TO
BREST.**

Paris, Feb. 28.—A French
 cruiser has arrested the Ameri-
 can steamer Dacia in the channel
 and taken her to Brest. This an-
 nouncement was officially made.

The announcement of the cap-
 ture of the Dacia, which was is-
 sued by the marine department,
 gave no details, nor the name of
 the cruiser which took her under
 arrest.

London, Feb. 28.—The capture
 of the Dacia, formerly sailing un-
 der the German flag, by the
 French, is welcomed here, as it
 will enable a French prize court
 to decide her case, while an Eng-
 lish court will deal with the car-
 go of the American steamer Wil-
 helmina. Thus, the responsibility
 for stopping cargoes in neutral
 bottoms will be borne equally by
 the two allies.

**WILL STOP ALL SHIPPING TO
ENEMIES' PORTS.**

London, Feb. 28.—Great Brit-
 ain, France and their allies have
 advised neutral countries that
 they hold themselves at liberty
 to stop all shipping to and from
 German ports and the ports of

her allies. Public announcement
 of this action will be made early
 this week, probably tomorrow.

The text of the declaration will
 set forth that this decision is ne-
 cessary because of German sub-
 marine attacks, but that Great
 Britain and France will respect
 the lives of crews and passengers
 in any steps they may take. The
 declaration is not a reply to the
 American representations looking
 to a cessation of German sub-
 marine activity and the admis-
 sion of food to Germany for civ-
 ilians.

The decision will not affect car-
 goes shipped before the date of
 this advice to neutrals. The exact
 date carried by the declaration
 has not been announced, but it is
 probably February 26 or 27.

Socialist Meeting

A meeting under the auspices of
 the Social Democratic Party of
 Canada, will be held in the Em-
 press Theatre, Ponoka, on Satur-
 day, March 13, at 1 o'clock p.m.
 H. Wilson, of Toronto, will lec-
 ture on "Socialism and the Farm-
 er," and everyone interested is
 invited. There is no admission
 fee charged. Ladies are specially
 invited. (M3-2c)